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SIXTIETH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

held at the City of

HAMILTON

JULY 21st AND 22nd, A. D. 1915, A. L. 5915

and Especial Communication held at the Town
of Stirling on September 28th, 1914.



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Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge
A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held at the Village of Stirling, on
Monday, the 28th day of September, A.D.
1914, A.L. 5914.

Present:

R.W.Bro. H. J. Clarke.....	as Grand Master
R.W.Bro. S. S. Lazier.....	as Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. L. R. Terwilligar.....	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. John Newton.....	as Grand Junior Warden
W.Bro. Rev. R. C. Blagrave.....	as Grand Chaplain.
R.W.Bro. J. McC. Potts.....	as Grand Treasurer.
W.Bro. W. V. Adams.....	as Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. O. C. Watson.....	as Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. E. Naylor.....	as Grand Senior Deacon
W.Bro. R. McCrudden.....	as Grand Junior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. F. D. Diamond.....	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. A. R. Walker.....	as Grand Supt. of Works.
W.Bro. W. C. Boardman.....	as Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. Alex. McMullen.....	as Grand Pursuivant.
V.W.Bro. C. F. Walt.....	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. F. R. Mallory.....	
V.W.Bro. C. H. Ketcheson.....	

Grand Lodge was opened at 2.30 o'clock p.m.
by the R. W. acting Grand Master, who announced
that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge
had been called to assist him in laying the corner
stone of the new Public Library.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers,
having received the necessary directions, Grand
Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under
the acting Grand Director of Ceremonies and march
ed to the site in the prescribed order, taking up
their proper positions at the north-east corner of
the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone.:—

IN THE NAME AND BY THE FAVOUR OF THE GREAT
ARCHITECT OF THE UNIVERSE.

On the 28th day of September, A.D. 1914, A.L. 5914, in the fifth
year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

GEORGE V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas,

KING, Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA.

His Royal Highness the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT & STRATH-
EARN, K.T., K.G., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.
C.I.E., G.C.V.O., P.C., being GOVERNOR-GENERAL of the
Dominion of Canada.

His Honour Lieut.-Colonel JOHN STRATHEARN HENDRIE
C.V.O., being LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of the Province
of Ontario.

The Honourable ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, LL.D., K.C., being
PREMIER of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honourable WILLIAM H. HEARST, K.C., being PREMIER
of the Province of Ontario.

EDWARD GUSS PORTER, Esq., K.C., being member of the
Parliament of the Dominion of Canada for the Constituency of
Hastings W.

JOHN W. JOHNSON, Esq., being member of the Legislative As-
sembly of the Province of Ontario for the Constituency of
Hastings, W.

M.W. Bro. WM. DAVID McPHERSON, K.C., being Grand
Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in
the Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. SYDNEY A. LUKE, being Deputy Grand Master of
the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province
of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. HARRY J. CLARKE, being District Deputy Grand
Master of the Prince Edward District No. 13.

THIS CORNER STONE

of the new Public Library building was laid by R.W. Bro. Harry J. Clarke, acting Grand Master, assisted by the acting Grand Lodge officers, in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and citizens of the Village of Stirling and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity of the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty. The acting Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proved, true and trusty.

The procession was re-formed and the brethren returned to the lodge rooms, where Grand Lodge was closed.



Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

PROCEEDINGS

At the Sixtieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M., of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Hamilton, Ontario, commencing Wednesday, July 21st, A. D. 1915, A. L. 5915.

There were present:

THE GRAND MASTER

M.W. Bro. Wm. David McPherson, on the Throne.

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.W. Bro. Sydney A. Luke.

R.W.Bro. Samuel D. Warren.....	Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. John Tanner.....	Grand Junior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Rev. F. E. Howitt.....	Acting Grand Chaplain.
M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone.....	Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn.....	Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. R. J. Gibson.....	Grand Registrar.
V.W.Bro. Thomas Reid.....	Grand Senior Deacon
R.W.Bro. A. E. Cooper.....	as Grand Junior Deacon.
W.Bro. A. G. Boulter.....	as Grand Supt. of Works.
V.W.Bro. C. E. Edmonds.....	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. G. B. Perry.....	Assistant Grand Secretary.
V.W.Bro. M. P. McMaster.....	Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. J. F. Palling.....	Grand Sword Bearer.
V.W.Bro. J. B. Hutchins.....	Grand Organist.
V.W.Bro. John A. Armour.....	Grand Pursuivant.
V.W.Bro. W. A. Banghart.....	} Grand Stewards.
V.W.Bro. W. E. Birrell.....	
V.W.Bro. Arthur Lawler.....	
V.W.Bro. W. C. Benson.....	
V.W.Bro. J. F. Reid.....	
V.W.Bro. J. P. Wright.....	
W.Bro. D. E. Russell.....	
W.Bro. J. Billingham.....	
W.Bro. R. W. Clewlo.....	
W.Bro. A. M. Heron.....	
W.Bro. J. C. Lennox.....	
W.Bro. Geo. DeKleinhans.....	
V.W.Bro. John Parsell.....	as Grand Standard Bearer.
V.W.Bro. W. A. Clark.....	as Grand Standard Bearer.
V.W.Bro. Thomas E. Epps ...	Grand Tyler.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R.W.Bro. Robt. J. Healey.....	Erie District.....	No. 1
R.W.Bro. Wm. J. McCormack	St. Clair District.....	No. 2
R.W.Bro. U. A. Buchner.....	London District.....	No. 3
R.W.Bro. Hugh C. Dunlop.....	South Huron District.....	No. 4
R.W.Bro. Fred. C. Ryan.....	North Huron District.....	No. 5
R.W.Bro. D. M. Sutherland.....	Wilson District.....	No. 6
R.W.Bro. Jas. H. Cowan.....	Wellington District.....	No. 7
R.W.Bro. James McGregor.....	Hamilton District.....	No. 8
R.W.Bro. Wm. J. Martin.....	Georgian District.....	No. 9
R.W.Bro. Thomas McKnight.....	Georgian District.....	No. 9a
R.W.Bro. J. E. Cohoe.....	Niagara District.....	No. 10
R.W.Bro. George H. Smith.....	Toronto West District.....	No. 11
R.W.Bro. Wm. R. Walters.....	Toronto East District.....	No. 11a
R.W.Bro. John W. Anderson.....	Ontario District.....	No. 12
R.W.Bro. H. J. Clarke.....	Prince Edward District.....	No. 13
R.W.Bro. A. B. Carscallen.....	Frontenac District.....	No. 14
R.W.Bro. F. H. Mallory.....	St. Lawrence District.....	No. 15
R.W.Bro. Thomas Shanks.....	Ottawa District.....	No. 16
R.W.Bro. Nelson Schnarr.....	Algoma District.....	No. 17
R.W.Bro. Joseph Edgar.....	Muskoka District.....	No. 19
R.W.Bro. G. C. Bonnycastle.....	Otonabee District.....	No. 20

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

GRAND LODGE OF

M.W.Bro. J. Ross Robertson.....	England
R.W.Bro. A. J. Young.....	Alberta
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn.....	British Columbia
R.W.Bro. J. A. C. Anderson.....	New Brunswick
R.W.Bro. John Boyd.....	New Zealand
R.W.Bro. G. S. May.....	Queensland
M.W.Bro. J. H. Burritt.....	South Australia
M.W.Bro. W. D. McPherson.....	Victoria
R.W.Bro. Isaac Huber.....	Connecticut
M.W.Bro. Henry Robertson.....	District of Columbia
R.W.Bro. Abraham Shaw.....	Illinois
R.W.Bro. W. G. Reid.....	Kansas
M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt.....	Louisiana
R.W.Bro. C. W. Postlethwaite.....	Maine
R.W.Bro. C. W. Haentschel.....	Minnesota
M.W.Bro. Sir John M. Gibson.....	Montana
R.W.Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	Nebraska
R.W.Bro. Wm. Rea.....	New Mexico
M.W.Bro. A. T. Freed.....	New York
R.W.Bro. J. G. Liddell.....	Oklahoma

V.W.Bro. K. J. Dunstan.....	Oregon
M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone.....	South Dakota
R.W.Bro. James McLauchlan.....	Tennessee
R.W.Bro. S. A. Luke.....	Vermont
R.W.Bro. W. C. Wilkinson.....	Washington
M.W.Bro. J. E. Harding.....	West Virginia
R.W.Bro. A. E. Cooper.....	Belgium
R.W.Bro. F. Davey Diamond.....	Costa Rica
R.W.Bro. Geo. Tait.....	Isle of Cuba
R.W.Bro. W. J. Drope.....	Peru
R.W.Bro. Geo. C. Holden.....	Puerto Rico

The above named Grand Representatives were received and welcomed by the Grand Master and accorded Grand Honours.

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

Past Grand Masters—M.W. Bros. Henry Robertson, J. Ross Robertson, Sir John M. Gibson, E. T. Malone, J. E. Harding, J. H. Burritt, A. T. Freed, D. F. Macwatt.

Past District Deputy Grand Masters—R.W. Bros. W. J. Drope, F. W. Harcourt, R. L. Gunn, S. A. Luke, A. Shaw, James Ross, J. G. Liddell, J. B. Way, J. B. Nixon, J. A. Macfadden, C. W. Haentschel, Alex. Cowan, G. R. Lloyd, Geo. Naylor, W. M. Logan, R. W. Longmore, A. J. Brown, W. G. Stephenson, J. H. Cowan, R. W. Brennen, B. S. Sheldon, Alex. Patterson, F. A. Latshaw, W. N. Ponton, John Ridley, Wm. Cowan, W. F. Bilger, R. J. Gracey, J. S. Lovell, John Watson, G. W. Liddell, H. A. Nicholls, R. G. W. Connolly, W. G. Reid, Geo. S. May, J. B. McLean, Geo. C. Holden, W. H. Wardrope, Lyman Lee, G. A. M. Davison, C. G. Hulet, B. E. Thompson, J. E. Francis, J. M. A. Waugh, Alex. Hess, Jas. Haywood, Thos. Rafter, Isaac Huber, G. H. Pettit, A. B. Hurrell, C. V. Emory, Wm. Williamson, H. S. Griffin, Geo. Tait, H. C. Jones, Wm. Hyndman, E. B. Brown, R. M. Cassels, R. A. Hutchison, Jos. Beck, W. F. Miller, John Malloy, Thos. McCallum, Wm. Birrell, W. N. Gatfield, J. McC. Potts, J. W. Dutton, J. B. Begg, E. M. Carleton, Geo. Menzies, C. D. Taylor, L. G. Jarvis, J. Smiley, O. C. Watson, M. H. Steele, R. E. Cooper, Wm. Rea, J. A. Messecar, John Sinclair, J. J. Craig, Robt. Irvine, H. J. Gould, W. H. McFadden, R. J. Sprott, Wm. Dawson, S. S. Clutton, Alfred Taylor, J. W. Bethune, F. D. Diamond, D. B. Dewar, Jas. Noble, A. B. Crosby, W. J. Martin, J. H. Knifton, Rich. Mills, W. H. Day, D. M. Grant, C. S. Kilgour, D. F. Webster, J. A. C. Anderson, W. H. Robinson, R. R. Hopkins, J. A. Watson, J. W. Harris, R. Clark, H. C. Scully, A. J. Young, R. G. Hoover, Rev. Jas. Abery.

Past Grand Senior Wardens—R.W. Bros. Thos. Rowe, S. F. Passmore, H. A. Taylor, W. N. Shaver, C. W. Postlethwaite, F. J. Howell, Jas. McLauchlan, H. W. Wilson.

Past Grand Junior Wardens—R.W. Bros. P. A. Somerville, Fred. Cook, Roger Miller, R. V. Matthews, A. E. Cooper, H. T. White, John Boyd.

Past Grand Registrars—R.W. Bros. D. Rutherford, W. C. Wilkinson, Jas. Dixon, A. N. Pettit, E. C. Davies, Henry T. Smith.

Past Grand Chaplains—R.W. Bros. Rev. F. E. Howitt, Rev. W. L. Baynes-Reed, Rev. W. M. Kannawin, Rev. J. W. Hodgins, Rev. D. Stewart.

Past Grand Senior Deacons—V.W. Bros. R. F. Richardson, John Forgie, A. E. Hagerman, Wm. Anderson, K. J. Dunstan, W. F. McGiverin, J. Y. Egan.

Past Grand Junior Deacons—V.W. Bros. H. J. Charles, D. Robertson, R. H. Dewar, Jas. Cheyne.

Past Grand Directors of Ceremonies—V.W. Bros. L. F. Riggs, J. H. Landreth, Thos. McQuillan.

Past Grand Organists—V.W. Bros. F. P. Warne, R. Walker, J. R. Mencke.

Past Assistant Grand Secretaries—V.W. Bros. A. Maccoomb, W. J. Grant, John McKnight.

Past Assistants Grand Directors of Ceremonies—V.W. Bros. A. G. Horwood, H. S. Wallace, H. Hyndman, John Livingston, A. J. Brown.

Past Grand Superintendents of Works—V.W. Bros. J. B. Hay, E. Barber, J. A. Montgomery.

Past Grand Sword Bearers—V.W. Bros. Robt. Pye, W. W. Greenhill, W. D. Fairbrother.

Past Grand Standard Bearers—V.W. Bros. John Parsell, W. J. McAllister, J. H. Elliott, W. A. Clark.

Past Grand Stewards—V.W. Bros. Thos. Pedler, Jos. Ellenton, John Lampman, N. Shafley, Robt. McConkey, W. J. Shannon, H. F. Ketcheson, Alex. McLaren, J. H. Herring, Jas. C. Scarff, S. S. Donaldson, Geo. Armstrong, H. H. Cairns, Thos. Godfrey, J. J. Allen, John Ritchie, R. T. Tindale, R. S. Cull, W. C. Benson, F. Patterson.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY THE MAYOR OF HAMILTON.

His Worship Chester S. Walters, Mayor of the City of Hamilton, accompanied by Controllers T. S. Morris and Thomas Robson and Alderman A. P. Nicol, was introduced by V.W. Bro. C. E. Edmonds, G.D. of C., and delivered the following address of welcome:

To the Grand Master, Officers, and Representatives
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is my privilege this morning to not only extend to you a hearty welcome, but also to be able to thank you for the signal honour that you have conferred upon the City of Hamilton in selecting this as the place in which you will celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of Canada. When your Grand Lodge last held its session here the City was then in the early stages of a great period of development, the population at that time being under sixty thousand inhabitants, whereas today we have passed the one hundred thousand mark, and with the prosperity that will certainly come to Canada at the close of the war, we look forward to seeing Hamilton pass the two hundred thousand mark within the next ten to fifteen years. Attracted by the splendid shipping facilities, cheap electric power and other exceptional advantages, many American as well as Canadian capitalists have established large manufacturing plants here and to-day, in spite of the comparatively dull times, experienced in most cities less favorably situated than Hamilton, there are under construction five large factories representing an investment of over two million dollars; residences and stores are being built in large numbers and a new million dollar hotel, the Royal Connaught, is nearing completion. It is hoped that the delegates will find time to visit some of the large manufacturing institutions, to take note of our well paved streets, our beautiful residential districts, our parks and our driveways, and other interesting places.

We are especially anxious that your stay here may be an enjoyable one, not only on account of the fact that your Grand Lodge was organized here, but also because we recognize the fact that the Masons of Hamilton have in a very large measure contributed to the prosperity and progress which we, as a city, have enjoyed. Here, as elsewhere in Canada, many of our successful public men are members of the craft, and doubtless many of them owe in no small measure their success in life to the fact that their visions have been broadened and their char-

acters developed by reason of their study of Masonry and their association with true Masons, and if Hamilton has been able to lay claim to more than the usual proportion of successful business men, you can perhaps attribute this condition to the fact that Hamilton has more than the usual proportion of Masons. Besides the successful public men there are others whose names are worth mentioning, and at the mention of whose names the blood runs faster and the heart beats with a feeling of intense pride. I mean the boys in khaki.

Away to the fields of France and Belgium they have gone (ten thousand Canadian Masons, some of them but a short time ago met you in this lodge room, most of them have but lately reached the age of manhood, and they have made a glorious name for themselves fighting the battles of civilization, laying down their lives that your children and mine may continue to enjoy the blessings of British liberty. God bless them every one and give them the victory that the cause for which they fight deserves. Hundreds of these brave heroes will come back to us maimed for life, and I sincerely hope that the people of Canada will without delay take some definite steps towards providing suitable employment that their condition may permit them to engage in, in order that as long as their precious lives are spared they may be able to earn an honest living and may not be expected to live only on the pension that is allowed them, and I feel sure that wherever the Masons of Canada can assist in such an undertaking they will do their full duty.

I bid you welcome to Hamilton, the home of Masonry. May you, Most Worshipful Sir, be spared for many years to witness the continued prosperity of this glorious Dominion and of the Grand Lodge of Canada. May you all have reason to remember your visit to Hamilton as having been one of the brightest and happiest times of your lives.

CHESTER S. WALTERS,

Mayor of the City of Hamilton.

The M. W. the Grand Master replied as follows:

Mr. Mayor, and Members of the Board of Control and Council of the City of Hamilton:

I assure you it is with much pleasure that I have received this very kind address from you, and personally, and on behalf of the members of Grand Lodge, here assembled, thank you very cordially for your kindness.

Since the Grand Lodge was formed in Hamilton sixty years ago, there have been enormous changes and your city has now come to be one of the principal cities of our fair Dominion, and I think you may confidently look forward to the time in the comparatively near future, when the reputation it now bears as "the Birmingham of Canada" will be fully justified. Its favorable location, the enterprise and progress of its citizens, not less than their splendid hospitality, make a most favorable impression upon the minds of visitors, and the members of Grand Lodge will undoubtedly greatly enjoy their visit among you.

No doubt you are aware that for some considerable time Hamilton has humourously been referred to by neighboring cities as "the ambitious City," and you will know better than I how far this reputation is deserved. It may not, however, be amiss for me to say to you, in view of the fact that one of your distinguished citizens, in the person of Sir John M. Gibson, whom I am happy to see here present today as a distinguished Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, has but recently filled a full term and some considerable portion of a second term as Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, and on his retirement, has been succeeded by another of your prominent citizens, likewise a member of the craft, in the person of Sir John Hendrie, our esteemed present Lieutenant-Governor. Under these circumstances I trust you may not think it amiss on my part, if I draw your attention to the fact that a continuation of Hamilton men in the vice-regal chair in Ontario, may possible lead to a demand from some portions of our fair Province for a "close season" as against Hamilton for the office of Lieutenant-Governor.

However, Mr. Mayor, whether such a movement progresses or not, I have pleasure in greeting you today as a member of the craft and the First Citizen of this splendid municipality, and on behalf of my brethren, again thank you for your courtesy and kindness, and wish you and the good people of Hamilton continued happiness and prosperity.

On the invitation of the M. W. the Grand Master, the address was also replied to by M. W. Bro. Sir John M. Gibson in a few well chosen and appropriate remarks.

GRAND LODGE OPENED.

A constitutional number of lodges being represented, Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 10.45 o'clock, a.m., and the Grand Chaplain implored a blessing from the G. A. O. T. U. upon the proceedings.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

R. W. Bro. J. B. Way, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials of representatives and proxies from lodges, reported that there were 446 warranted lodges on the register; 281 were represented by their regular officers, 70 by proxy, and 35 by Past Masters, a total of 386 lodges represented. There were 1,327 registered, having a total of 1,982 votes. The following are the names of those present:

No. 3, Ancient St. John's, Kingston. W. Bro. P. H. Rider, W.M.; Bros. C. S. Kirkpatrick, S.W.; A. W. Richardson, J.W.

No. 5, Sussex, Brockville. W. Bro. Victor De Carle, W.M.; W. Bro. James S. Dodds, P.M.

No. 6, Barton, Hamilton. W. Bro. A. P. Goering, W.M.; Bros. F. W. MacBeth, S.W.; W. H. Davis, J.W.; M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed, R.W. Bro. H. S. Griffin; V.W. Bro. W. J. Grant; W. Bros. H. B. Witton, Fred. Johnston; Geo. Moore, E. B. O'Reilly, R. B. Griffith, J. G. Gault, Samuel Vila, F. B. Ross, D. R. Gibson, E. G. Zealand, Thos. Booker, S. M. Kenny, J. B. Dinkel, J. P. Steedman, L. E. Wedd, D. A. McIlroy, J. W. Sutherland, and Geo. Armstrong, P.Ms.

No. 7, Union, Grimsby. W. Bro. R. Wismer, W.M. Bro. Jas. Aitchison, J.W.; R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope, R.W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson, W. Bros. C. T. Farrell, Adam Rutherford, W. E. Millward, W. F. Clarke, R. Lipsett, W. B. Calder, Wm. Cowan, John Forman, D. Clark, W. F. Randall, J. B. McConachie, J. H. Alway, H. K. Griffith, A. F. Hawke, A. E. Phipps, C. W. Harrison, W. W. Kidd, and W. Mitchell, P.Ms.

No. 9, Union, Napanee. W. Bro. W. Grange, W.M. Bros. G. S. Reid, S.W.; J. H. S. Derry, J.W.; V.W. Bro. W. J. Shannon, P.M.

No. 10, Norfolk, Simcoe. W. Bro. James H. Shaw, W.M. W. Bro. J. H. Luscombe, P.M.

No. 11, Moira, Belleville. W. Bro. D. G. Bleeker, W.M. V. W. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson, P.M.

No. 14, True Britons, Perth. W. Bro. R. E. Hicks, P.M.

No. 15, St. George's, St. Catharines. V.W. Bro. Alex. Mc Laren, W. Bro. A. F. Gwinner, P.Ms.

No. 16, St. Andrew's, Toronto. W. Bro. J. A. Graham, W.M. Bro. W. Lawrence, J.W.; R.W. Bros. W. C. Wilkinson, J. S. Lovell, Geo. Tait, J. W. Watson, W. F. Bilger, ; V.W. Bros. A. E. Hagerman A. Maccomb, C. E. Edmonds, W.Bros. J. R. Bulmer, H. C. Montgomery, P.Ms.

No. 17, St. John's, Coburg. W. Bro. C. H. Winter, W.M. W. Bros. J. W. Rogers and J. K. Fraser, P.Ms.

No. 18, Prince Edward, Picton. W. Bro. Milton Adams, W.M. Bro. E. A. Pearce, S.W.; Rev. F. L. Barber, P.M.

No. 20, St. John's, London. W. Bro. Edward Gerry, W.M. R. W. Bro. Thos. Rowe, W. Bros. F. B. Gidley and H. A. McIntosh, P.Ms.

No. 21a, St. John's, Vankleek Hill. R.W. Bro. H. C. Jones, P.M. and proxy.

No. 22, King Solomon's, Toronto. W. Bro. W. H. Roberts, W.M. Bro. E. A. Dolson, J.W.; M.W. Bro. John Ross Robertson, R.W. Bros. John Tanner, G. W. Liddle, V.W. Bros. Wm. Anderson, and Raymond Walker, W. Bros. J. McL. Hartley and John Mc Kerracher, P.Ms.

No. 23, Richmond, Richmond Hill. W. Bro. W. A. Wright, W.M. R.W. Bro. H. A. Nicholls, W. Bros. W. H. Legge, G. B. Newberry, David Hill, Geo. Cowie, P. G. Savage, W. A. Wright, T. F. McMahon, T. H. French, J. H. Dunlop, E. M. Byrne, T. A. Lamon, P.Ms.

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No. 470, Victoria, Victoria Harbor. W. Bro. E. B. Brown, P.M. and Proxy.

No. 471, King Edward VII., Chippawa. Bro. W. J. Montgomery S.W.

No. 473, The Beaches, Toronto. W. Bro. E. F. Walker, P.M. and Proxy.

No. 474, Victoria, Toronto. V.W. Bro. W. E. Birrell, P.M. and Proxy; R.W. Bro. R. R. Hopkins, P.M.

No. 475, Dundurn, Hamilton. W. Bro. Jas. Hastings, W.M. V.W. Bro. Jas. Cheyne, W. Bros. John Hooper, James Hooper, R. H. Hooper, G. H. Lanigan, John McCoy, J. F. McDonald, W. J. Wattam, T. W. Appleton, M. C. Thompson, John Burns, P.Ms.

No. 476, Corinthian, North Gower. W. Bro. John Kerr, W.M. W. Bro. C. Craig, P.M.

No. 478, Milverton, Milverton. W. Bro. W. J. Smith, W.M. W. Bros. T. Hutchison, Geo. Guenther, Edgar Siegner, P.Ms.

No. 479, Russell, Russell. W. Bro. John Harrington, W.M. W. Bro. P. B. Proudfoot, P.M.

No. 480, Williamsburg, Williamsburg. Bro. E. J. Barclay, S.W.

No. 481, Corintihan, Toronto. W. Bro. Jas. F. Murray, W.M.

No. 483, Granton, Granton. W. Bro. T. E. Hill, W.M. Bro. R. S. Hobbs, S.W.; R.W. Bro. Rev. Jas. Aberly, P.M.

No. 485, Haileybury, Haileybury. W. Bro. H. Lockington, W.M. Bro. A. J. Attig, S.W.

No. 486, Silver, Cobalt. W. Bro. R. H. James, P.M. and Proxy.

No. 488, King Edward, Harrow. W. Bro. Alonzo Bush, W.M.

No. 489, Osiris, Smith's Falls. W. Bro. W. T. Ferguson, W.M. W. Bros. W. L. Tait, J. F. O'Brien, P.Ms.

No. 491, Cardinal, Cardinal. W. Bro. John A. Locke, W.M. W. Bro. E. J. Wormington, P.M.

No. 492, Karnak, Coldwater. W. Bro. R. A. Brown, P.M. and Proxy; W. Bro. Chas. Simons, P.M.

No. 493, St. Mary's, St. Marys. W. Bro. T. E. Granger, W.M. W. Bro. P. T. Coupland, P.M.

No. 494, Riverdale, Toronto. W. Bro. J. M. Malcolm, W.M.
W. Bro. Wm. Miskelly, P.M.

No. 495, Electric, Hamilton. W. Bro. Roy McIntosh, W.M.
Bro. Roy Livingston, S.W.; Bro. C. H. Halman, J.W.; W. Bros. F.
J. Miller, D. W. Evans, A. W. Palmer, J. H. Schrader, P.Ms.

No. 496, University, Toronto. V.W. Bro. A. G. Horwood, P.M.
and Proxy; M.W. Bros. Sir John M. Gibson and D. F. Macwatt, P.
Ms.

No. 500, Rose, Windsor. W. Bro. M. P. McMaster, P.M. and
Proxy; W. Bro. J. C. Tolmie, P.M.

No. 501, Connaught, Mimico. W. Bro. Jay Barnum, W.M.
W. Bro. Geo. S. Brown, P.M.

No. 502, Coronation, Smithville. W. Bro. J. S. Davis, W.M.
Bro. E. D. Armstrong, S.W.; Bro. G. E. Brant, J.W.; W. Bros. A.
G. Boulter, H. Gracey, W. H. Trembly, J. R. Goring, P.Ms.

No. 503, Inwood, Inwood. W. Bro. J. Vance, W.M. Bros. W.
R. Dawson, S.W.; Geo. Graham, J.W.

No. 504, Otter, Lombardy. W. Bro. Clark Nichols, P.M. and
Proxy.

No. 505, Lynden, Lynden. W. Bro. R. Clark, W.M. W. Bro.
J. K. Jones, P.M.

No. 506, Porcupine, Porcupine. W. Bro. C. M. Piercy, W.M.

No. 507, Elk Lake, Elk Lake. W. Bro. Albert Skill, W.M.

No. 508, Ozias, Brantford. W. Bro. W. B. Scace, W.M. W.
Bros. Jos. Broadbent, W. C. Boddy, P.Ms.

No. 509, Twin City, Berlin. W. Bro. W. E. Finnegan, W.M.
Bro. J. Swinton, J.W.; W. Bros. C. O. Hemphill, Geo. DeKleinhaus,
S. A. Smithson, J. A. Hallman, R. J. Kerr, P.Ms.

No. 510, Parkdale, Toronto. Bro. H. J. Brown, S.W.; Bro. G.
E. Buchanan, J.W.

No. 511, Connaught, Fort William. W. Bro. A. R. Mills, W.M.

No. 512, Malone, Sutton West. W. Bro. W. M. Oliver, W.M.

No. 513, Corinthian, Hamilton. W. Bro. F. H. Nairn, W.M.
Bro. Geo. H. Britton, S.W.; P. E. Lumsden, J.W.

No. 514, St. Alban's, Toronto. Bro. W. S. Milne, S.W.; Bro.
C. Clark, J.W.; R.W. Bro. Hy. T. Smith, P.M.

No. 515, Reba, Brantford. W. Bro. W. R. McCormack, W.M.
Bro. D. E. Russell, P.M.

No. 519, Onondaga, Onondaga. Bro. John Clark, J.W.; W.
Bro. R. J. Cranston, P.M.

No. 520, Coronati, Toronto. W. Bro. Thos. New, P.M. and
Proxy; W. Bros. R. B. Magill and Hugh McIntosh, P.Ms.

No. 521, Ontario, Windsor. Bro. Alex. Moir, S.W.; W. Bro. W. J. Douglas, P.M.

No. 522, Mount Sinai, Toronto. R.W. Bro. H. C. Scully, W.M. Bro. A. Brookstone, S.W.

No. 525, Temple, Toronto. W. Bro. F. G. I. Whetter, W.M.

No. 526, Ionic, Westboro'. W. Bro. Thos. Saunders, W.M.

No. 527, Espanola, Espanola. W. Bro. LeBaron Dibblee, W.M.

ADDRESS OF THE CRAFT IN HAMILTON TO THE GRAND MASTER.

The M. W. Grand Master granted permission for the admission to the side seats of Grand Lodge of all Master Masons, in good standing, as visitors.

R. W. Bro. James McGregor, D.D.G.M. of the Hamilton District, introduced the Worshipful Masters of the local lodges in Hamilton who presented the following address of welcome to the Grand Master:

To the Most Worshipful Brother William David McPherson, Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M., of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

We, the ruling Masters of the nine lodges of this City, extend hearty and fraternal greetings.

Ten years ago the Grand Lodge of Canada celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its foundation by holding its annual communication in this, the city of its birth. The Grand Lodge has again honoured Hamilton by holding the sixtieth anniversary of the formation of Grand Lodge in the city in which the Grand Lodge first saw light.

The Freemasons of the City of Hamilton and of the Hamilton District No. 8 wish formally to thank you, Most Worshipful Sir, and the Brethren of Grand Lodge for their decision to again meet in our fair city.

Ten years ago the Grand Lodge met in peace and harmony, and good will towards men appeared to reign upon the earth. Today we meet within these walls in peace and harmony, but the world is in a state of turmoil on account of the unbridled ambitions of a military caste. Many brethren who would otherwise be at this annual communication are in the war zone, prepared to offer up their lives, if need be, for the preservation of those virtues which Freemasons hold peculiarly dear to them, viz.: Liberty, Justice and Truth. May God watch over them is our fervent prayer. We cannot refrain from congratulating you, Most Worshipful Sir, on having two sons who have offered their services to their King and Country. We trust that God in His great mercy will preserve their lives during the trying times through which we are passing, and that our great Empire will pass safely through this greatest trial of its existence.

We also congratulate Grand Lodge in having as chief head and ruler of the craft one whose name, not only throughout our great province, but in many provinces and states throughout the continent of America, is a synonym for ability, truth and justice; and whose heart, in words familiar to Masons, is expanded by benevolence. All these qualities have been exhibited in a high degree by the perseverance with which you have pressed the Belgian fund, inaugurated by yourself, and the great success that has attended your efforts.

We also trust that this annual communication of Grand Lodge may be able to show that its sixty years of existence have been abundantly fruitful, and that not only Masons, but the citizens of the Dominion of Canada at large, may recognize the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, to be a force that is not only guided by, but has promulgated the Masonic principles of Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice.

With glad hearts we welcome you, Most Worshipful Sir, and all the brethren of Grand Lodge, to our good city, trusting that the time spent here may be both interesting and instructive.

A. P. Goering, W.M., The Barton Lodge No. 6.
H. W. Linton, W.M., The Lodge of Strict Observance No. 27.

F. J. Maw, W.M., St. John's Lodge No. 40.
H. W. Temple, W.M., Acacia Lodge No. 61.
F. Grice, W.M., Temple Lodge No. 324.
J. T. Truman, W.M., Doric Lodge No. 382.
Jas. Hastings, W.M., Dundurn Lodge No. 475.
Roy McIntosh, W.M., Electric Lodge No. 495.
Franklin H. Nairn, W.M., Corinthian Lodge No. 513.

The M. W. the Grand Master replied as follows :

Worshipful Sir and Worshipful Brethren:

One and all we thank you for the kindly sentiments contained in your greeting today, and I can assure you that they are most heartily reciprocated by every brother here present.

Hamilton has ever been regarded as "the Mecca of Masonry" in Ontario, and it is therefore most fitting that we should assemble here today to celebrate the "Diamond Jubilee" of the formation of Grand Lodge.

The Executive Offices of Grand Lodge are located in your good city, and the craft in the Hamilton District has provided Grand Lodge with some of its most distinguished Grand Masters. We are delighted to have two of them present with us today in the persons of Most Worshipful Bro. Sir John M. Gibson and Most Worshipful Bro. A. T. Freed, and earnestly hope that they may long be spared to aid by their valuable counsel and advice, in administering the affairs of this splendid Grand Lodge, which has now attained a membership of approximately sixty thousand.

As you are aware I have had the honour of attending communications of some of the great Masonic bodies in the United States, and find that Canadian brethren are most highly esteemed by the members of the craft in the United States. Indeed, the utmost harmony prevails between our Grand Lodge and I may say, the Grand Lodges of all the various jurisdictions throughout the world.

We are happy to be with you today, and I take this opportunity, on behalf of the members of the Board of General Purposes, of thanking you all for the abounding hospitality which you have showered upon us in truly fraternal manner, and am confident that, during the remainder of our session, the brethren will continue to receive at your hands every kindness and consideration which could be prompted by brotherly feeling.

You kind and courteous references to myself are, I assure you, appreciated most highly, and I rejoice to think that my humble services have been deemed worthy of such kindly reference. It is a great satisfaction to feel that the efforts one puts forth, in more or less trying and arduous situations, are satisfactory to the brethren, and no doubt will form an incentive to the distinguished brother who is soon to succeed me in this eminent office.

I thank you personally and on behalf of the members here present for your kindness, and wish you all every possible prosperity in the future.

The Grand Secretary read the rules and regulations for the government of Grand Lodge during the time of business.

The Grand Secretary commenced to read the minutes of Proceedings at the last annual communication, when it was

Moved by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, and

Resolved, That the minutes of Proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Fifty-ninth Annual Communication, held in the City of Niagara Falls, on the 15th and 16th days of July, A.D. 1914, having been printed and copies thereof forwarded to the constituent lodges, the same be considered as read, and they be now confirmed.

Letters and telegrams of regret were read from M. W. Bro. Benjamin Allen, R. W. Bros. N. J. McAulay, D.D.G.M.; G. A. Woodside, G. Chaplain; Frederick Guest and J. C. Boyd, and V. W. Bro. A. Gillies, G. Supt. of Works.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of Grand Lodge:

I welcome you most cordially to the Sixtieth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge and am happy to be able to repeat the opening sentence of my address of last year to the effect that "the year just closed has been one of the best in the history of the craft in this jurisdiction both financially and numerically."

For the year ending 31st May, 1915, our revenue has been \$47,233.07, which is within \$8.00 of that received last year.

The expenditure for ordinary purposes was \$25,304.57, and for benevolence was \$29,600.00, to which is to be added the sum of \$5,145.00 for grants from the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund, making the total grants for benevolent purposes for the year ending 31st May, 1915 \$34,745.00 as against \$33,708.00 for the preceding year.

Our membership on 31st May, 1915 is estimated at 59,748, an increase for the year of 2,768.

The number of warranted lodges is 439 as against 425 last year, and there are an additional 8 under dispensation.

New Lodges.

Following the same precautions as to the formation of new lodges which have governed my action during my term of office, I have had much satisfaction in granting dispensations to the following lodges:

1. Espanola Lodge at Espanola.
2. Golden Beaver Lodge at Timmins.
3. Myra Lodge at Komoka.
4. Cochrane Lodge at Cochrane.

A dispensation was granted last year to certain brethren at Massey, Ontario, to meet as a lodge under the name of Sable Lodge, but as circumstances subsequently developed they were unable to procure a hall, and having deferred for a considerable length of time in making arrangements and there being a number of masons at Espanola who would have been under the same jurisdiction, and who were very desirous that they should have the privilege of meeting as masons, I instructed the District Deputy Grand Master of the district to notify the brethren at Massey that unless arrangements were made at an early date for carrying out the dispensation granted to them the dispensation would be withdrawn. After the lapse of some considerable time without any action being taken the dispensation was withdrawn and a new dispensation was granted upon the recommendation of the District Deputy Grand Master to the applicants from Espanola, who, I am happy to say, are reported to me as making satisfactory progress.

Warrants.

Warrants for new lodges have been issued as follows:

No. 511 Connaught Lodge, meeting at Fort William.

No. 512 Malone Lodge, meeting at Sutton West.

No. 513 Corinthian Lodge, meeting at Hamilton

No. 514 St. Alban's Lodge, meeting at Toronto.

No. 515 Reba Lodge, meeting at Brantford.

No. 516 Enterprise Lodge, meeting at Beachburg.

No. 517 Hazeldean Lodge, meeting at Hazeldean.

No. 518 Sioux Lookout Lodge, meeting at Sioux Lookout.

No. 519 Onondaga Lodge, meeting at Onondaga.

No. 520 Coronati Lodge, meeting at Toronto.

No. 521 Ontario Lodge, meeting at Windsor.

No. 522 Mount Sinai Lodge, meeting at Toronto.

Fraternal Dead.

V. W. Bro. James Bicknell, K.C., G.S.D., died on 22nd October, 1914. He was initiated in the Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton, and was elected to be the Worshipful Master in 1895. He was born at Battersea Park, London, England, and was fifty-two years of age at the time of his death. He was educated at the Hamilton Collegiate Institute, and at the age of twenty-two graduated from the Law School at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, with the Law Society's Gold Medal. He removed to Toronto in 1893 and continued in the practice of law until the time of his death. He was a Bencher of the Law Society and for many years chairman of the Legal Education Committee. He was a recognized authority on banking, company and commercial law, and was a moving spirit in the formation of the Ontario and Dominion Bar Association. He was also a Past Grand Superintendent of the Toronto District of Royal Arch Masons, and had attained the 32nd degree in Scottish Rite Masonry. At the time of his death he was our Grand Senior Deacon and was most highly respected both as man and mason.

Bro. Dr. S. Singer died on 19th October, 1914, at Toronto. He was a member of St. Alban's Lodge, No. 514, Toronto, also King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22, Toronto. He was born on 15th November, 1876, and graduated in medicine at the University of Toronto. He was a Past Z. of the Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John and was very highly regarded by his brethren in Masonry.

Bro. E. E. A. DuVernet, K.C., who died suddenly on the 1st of May, 1915, was a member of the craft although not affiliated with any of the Toronto lodges. He received his early education at Upper Canada College, and was called to the Bar in 1889. Subsequently he became head of the law firm of DuVernet, Raymond, Jones, Ross & Ardagh, and was appointed King's Counsel in 1908. He was 49 years of age. Bro. DuVernet occupied an eminent position in the legal profession and was very highly respected by both bench and bar, and his loss will be severely felt throughout the country.

Bro. George R. Copping, one of the victims of the Lusitania disaster, was a member of Zetland Lodge, Toronto. His remains arrived in Toronto on 31st May and were interred on 2nd June.

M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, C.M.G., P.G.M., died suddenly on Wednesday, 14th July, at his summer home at St. Elmo, Muskoka, Ont. He was a son of David W. White, of Lisonally House and Mountjoy Forest at Omagh, County of Tyrone, Ireland. He was born on 19th March, 1845, and received his education at the Royal Schools at Raphoe, Dungannon, and at "Dunbars," Dublin. He came to Canada at the age of 17, and for some years was engaged in the lumber business in Muskoka. Since February 1st, 1887 he was assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, becoming latterly the Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests. He represented Ontario at the Paris Exhibition of 1900. M. W. Bro. White was initiated as a Mason at Bracebridge, in Muskoka Lodge No. 360, on 22nd August, thirty-five years ago, and on removing to Toronto, joined King Solomon's Lodge, becoming W. M. in 1895. In 1897 he was D.D.G.M. for Toronto District, and later became a member of the Board of General Purposes and Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry. In 1909 he became D.G.M., and in 1911 Grand Master, in which capacity he will ever be remembered by Grand Lodge for his faithful service. In Royal Arch Masonry he joined St. Paul's Chapter in 1889 and in February last became Grand Third Principal. He was knighted in Cyrene Preceptory in 1899 and was Past Provincial Preceptor for Toronto District. In the Scottish Rite Body he became a member in 1889, and belonged to Rose Croix chapter, Toronto, and Moore Consistory, Hamilton, and was a member of the Supreme Council 33° A. & A. S. Rite for the Dominion of Canada. He was a member of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the Royal Order of Scotland for the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. He was also a member of Rameses Temple, Mystic Shriners.

The eloquent tribute of Ven. Archdeacon Cody at the funeral service of our late Most Worshipful Brother will, I am sure, be unanimously endorsed.

"We meet today," he said, "as representatives of hosts of friends who sorrow, though with hope, to pay our tribute of affection and regard to the life work and character of a brother beloved. His family have lost a husband and father who was the very essence of thoughtfulness and loving care; his friends, a comrade of rare geniality, humor, loyalty and unselfishness; the Masonic Order, an efficient, wise and dignified leader; the Province, an able, valued, and trusted public servant; the Church, a staunch reverent and devoted member, and the community one of the finest types of Christian gentlemen. He leaves behind him a record of stainless honour, untiring benevolence and signal service to his country. Our country owes much to the permanent officials of the Government who supply to the Parliamentary administrations the element of continuity of policy, expert knowledge and personal experience, and no public official of this province has deserved better of his fellow citizens in this respect than has Mr. White."

W. Bro. Henry Pringle, of Belleville, and a member of Belleville Lodge of that city, died on the 29th August, 1914. Deceased was born in Belleville, fifty-seven years ago. He was educated in the public schools of Belleville, the High School and Albert College and University. Freemasonry was dear to his heart. As a member of the Masonic order the late Bro. Pringle had held most of the offices in the gift of the craft, having been Past Master of the Belleville Lodge No. 123, Past First Principal of Moira Chapter No. 11, R.A.M., Past Eminent Preceptor of King Baldwin Preceptory No. 6, K.T., Past District Deputy of Prince Edward District of the Grand Lodge of Canada, Past Grand Superintendent of Prince Edward District of the Grand Chapter of Canada, and Past Provincial Grand Prior of the Kingston-Ottawa District of the Great Priory of Canada. He was buried with Masonic honours on the 31st July. The Masonic service at the house was conducted by R. W. Bro. Arthur McGinnis, while the service at the grave was in charge of R. W. Bro. Col. S. S. Lazier. The pall

bearers were R. W. Bros. A. McGinnis, Col. S. S. Lazier, Wm. Webster, Col. W. N. Ponton, John Newton, P.D.D.G.Ms and R. W. Bro. H. J. Clarke, D.D.G.M., of Prince Edward District, No. 13.

V. W. Bro. Richard T. Coady, a member of Wilson Lodge, Toronto, died on the 21st, October, 1914. Deceased was born in Toronto January 28th. 1848. He was of Irish descent. He was educated at the Model and Grammar Schools and Upper Canada College. Previous to entering the civic service deceased was accountant for the Thompson, Smith Lumber Company. He entered the City Treasurer's Department in 1873 as an accountant, and was promoted to the position of deputy treasurer and chief accountant in 1877. On the retirement of the late R. W. Bro. Samuel B. Harman, K.C. in 1888, Mr. Coady was unanimously appointed to succeed him as City Treasurer. He held the position until his retirement on March 1st, 1914. For 24 years he was always at his post in the City Hall, and rarely ever took a holiday. Early last year he had a nervous breakdown, and was given six months' leave of absence by the City Council to recuperate. He returned to his duties in October, but was soon compelled to relinquish them again. He made further efforts to resume them, but could not stand the strain. In February of this year he tendered his resignation, which was accepted, and the Council voted him a retiring allowance of \$16,000. Besides being a member of Wilson Lodge he was a Past Grand Lodge officer, a Royal Arch Mason as well as Scottish Rite Mason.

M. W. Bro. John Leslie, of Winnipeg, Man., died on the 13th March 1915. He was a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and a Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada. He had been initiated into Craft Masonry in the town of Milton, Ont., many years ago. He was a whole-souled Mason.

W. Bro. John H. McKinnon, of St. John's Lodge, Toronto, and Vice-President of Northrop &

Lyman Co., Toronto, died on the 28th May, 1915. The deceased was born at Smith's Falls 67 years ago. He was educated at Durham County and on leaving school joined the Northrop Lyman firm, then situated at Newcastle, Ont. When the firm came to Toronto in 1872 he came with it, and gradually rose from one position to another until he became vice-president. Bro. Mc Kinnon was a member of the Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John, Royal Arch Masons, as well as a member of Geoffrey de St. Aldermar Preceptory of Knights Templars, Rameses Temple of Mystic Shriners, and the Scottish Rite Body. He was also a member of the Jarvis Street Baptist Church and a Liberal in politics. He was buried with Masonic honours on Saturday afternoon, May 1st. There was a large attendance of brethren at the funeral.

V. W. Bro. Frank Hague, Past Master of Stevenson Lodge, Toronto, and also Grand Senior Deacon of the Grand Lodge of Canada in succession to V. W. Bro. Jas. Bicknell, K. C., died on the 10th June, 1915, in his 53rd year. For twenty-five years he had been connected with the Department of Public Health of the City of Toronto. He was also a member of the St. Patrick Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Geoffrey de St. Aldemar Preceptory Knights Templars, and a member of Rameses Temple, Mystic Shriners. Bro. Hague was well liked by those with whom he came in contact, he being of a genial disposition. He will undoubtedly be missed in the bodies with which he was connected. He was buried with Masonic honours on the 12th June, at St. James' cemetery. The funeral was largely attended.

Most Worshipful Bro. Augustus Weyman Houston, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, died at his home in the City of San Antonio, Texas, on Sunday, 21st February. M. W. Bro. Houston by profession was a Counsellor-at-Law, and at the time of his death was Dean of the San Antonio Bar, and one of the best known lawyers in the State of Texas. The pall bearers at his funeral were all Past Grand Masters of the Grand

Lodge of Texas. M. W. Bro. Houston was a native of the State of Alabama, and was born in Lauderdale County on 4th August, 1850. The following year his father, Dr. Gray Jones Houston and family removed to Texas, settling on the Cibolo near Sutherland Springs. They remained in that locality until the close of the Civil War when they removed to San Antonio. M. W. Bro. Houston was educated at Washington and Lee Universities, and graduated from Amherst University, Lebanon, Texas. At the time of his death he was senior member of the firm of Houston, Boyle & Story, and for many years was known throughout Texas as "Judge" Houston, a tribute to his distinguished legal and judicial ability. At the time of his death he was General Attorney for the San Antonio and Arkansas Pass Railroad, and held many other positions of trust. He was one of the most prominent and active Masons in Texas. He was made a Master Mason on 3rd July, 1873, and was a life member and Past Master of Alarno Lodge No. 44. Also a life member of San Antonio Commandery No. 7 K. T., and a member of Burleson Chapter No. 21, R. A. M. In Scottish Rite Masonry he had attained the eminence of 32nd degree. M. W. Bro. Houston took a deep interest in all matters pertaining to the betterment of the community, and gladly gave his time to any cause which he esteemed to be worthy. He served as State Senator in the Texas Legislature from 1878 to 1886. As a mark of respect to his memory, all the Courts of the District adjourned at noon on the day of his funeral, and the Grand Jury, which was in session, also suspended its deliberations. M. W. Bro. Houston was one of the most prominent figures at the Conference of Grand Masters at St. Louis, Mo., in May, 1914, where I had the pleasure of making his acquaintance, and was beloved by all with whom he came in contact. The Grand Lodge of Canada sympathises with the Grand Lodge of Texas, and with the family of the M. W. brother, in their great bereavement.

R. W. Bro. Robert Freke Gould, the eminent Masonic historian, died at his home in England on 26th March, 1915, at the age of 78. He was a son

of the Reverend Robert Freke Gould, Rector of Stoke Pears, Somerset, and was born at Ilfracombe, Devon, in 1836. In early life he joined the army, and first saw Masonic light in the Royal Navy Lodge No. 429, Ramsgate. In 1858, while residing at Gibraltar, he was installed Master of the Inhabitants' lodge No. 153, E.C. Later in the same year he removed to India where he became the founder and first Master of the Meridian Lodge No. 743 of the 1st East Surrey Regiment then stationed at Poona. Later, when stationed in China, he was elected in 1864 Master of the Northern China Lodge No. 570, Shanghai. Returning to England in 1870 he settled in Russell Square, London. For a few years he practised his profession as a barrister-at-law, following the Western Circuit, and retired in 1877, after which he devoted himself largely, if not exclusively, to Masonic literary work, in which he soon achieved International distinction. He was one of the founders of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2074, established in 1884, and now most highly appreciated throughout the civilized world as having in the past quarter of a century given to the craft a literature which is unsurpassed for erudition and patient research into Masonic archæology and history. In 1889, after having served for several terms on the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge of England, and on the Colonial Committee, he was invested as one of the two Senior Grand Deacons and in December, 1913, he was made a Past Grand Warden on the occasion of the Centenary Celebration of the union of the Grand Lodges of England. The "Concise History of Freemasonry," and his "Collected Essays and Papers," published in 1913, assure him a permanent place among Masonic historians, who regard the truth as supreme.

*They're passing away, these dear old friends,
 Like leaves on the current cast;
 With never a break in the rapid flow,
 We watch them as one by one they go,
 Into the solemn past.*

Rulings.

1. An esteemed member of the Craft, writing to me, said: "It occurs to me that it may be of inestimable benefit to our brethren who are going to the front with the Canadian forces to have always on their persons a certificate showing that they are members of our world-wide fraternity. My idea is to provide every Mason from Ontario at least with a certificate printed in English, French and German on strong linen paper about three and a half inches by six and a half inches, which would fold in three and be enclosed in a waterproof oiled silk or shellac linen case about two and a half by four inches, fastened with a dome fastener and provided with a cord so that the case could be worn suspended round the neck under the clothes. Having carefully considered the matter and also conferred with some of the Past Grand Masters, I decided with regret that I had no authority to sanction the issue of such a certificate, as I am satisfied it would have served an excellent purpose.

2. In answer to a request for authority to permit the members of a lodge to rent their hall to other non-masonic bodies as joint tenants I ruled that a dispensation could not be granted.

3. In some cases where members of the Craft had been convicted of criminal offences and sentenced to terms in prison, and in other cases where convictions had been made for breach of trust for which the law provided either imprisonment or a fine, and fines had been imposed in lieu of imprisonment, and no action was taken by their respective lodges looking to expulsion of those convicted, I directed the Grand Secretary to instruct the Junior Wardens of the respective lodges to lay a charge against the delinquent brothers and have the trial proceeded with as expeditiously as possible, and pending their trial suspend said brothers from all masonic privileges.

4. Where the provisions of Section 204 of the Constitution were disregarded and degrees were conferred upon brethren within the time limit

prescribed by the Constitution, application was made to me to waive the payment of the penalty prescribed by the Constitution, but I declined to do so and required the penalties to be paid.

5. In the case of an applicant who was an unmarried man and who was born and raised and afterwards lived a few miles from the place where the lodge room was situated, who was a miner by occupation and had no permanent home except the village in question, although he worked for short times at different places, but made a practice of spending his winters at the village in question, his father and mother both being dead, I ruled that in my opinion the domicile of the applicant had not been changed and that the lodge at the village in question had jurisdiction to receive and deal with his application.

6. In the case of an applicant who had formerly resided within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia and had removed into Ontario, but had not resided in Ontario for the time requisite to entitle him to become an applicant for initiation in a lodge under our jurisdiction, I ruled that it would be necessary for the applicant or some person on his behalf to apply to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge^a of Nova Scotia to waive jurisdiction over the applicant and consent to his being treated by us as an eligible candidate, and that if this was not done it would be necessary for the applicant to petition some lodge in Halifax where he had sufficient residence to comply with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, and if accepted there then he might be initiated at Kingston, Ontario, as a matter of courtesy on request of the Grand Master of Nova Scotia.

7. In the case of an application by the son of a Mason lacking some months of twenty-one years of age who had enlisted and was leaving for England with the Second Overseas Contingent, for a dispensation permitting him to be initiated, I ruled that there was no authority to grant such a dispensation.

8. On an application for a dispensation to form a regimental lodge in connection with the

First Overseas Contingent, I gave the matter very careful consideration, and conferred with the Past Grand Masters, and as we were all unanimously of the opinion that the difficulties in the way of complying with the request were insuperable, I declined to grant the dispensation.

9. In the case of the application for initiation of a candidate who had sustained the loss of his left arm, I ruled that he was not eligible for initiation.

10. On the application for a dispensation to permit a social organization to hold a card party in the lodge room, I ruled that it was improper for the premises to be so used and declined to grant a dispensation.

11. In the case of an applicant for initiation who had made application for a homestead at a considerable distance from the locality of the lodge to which he had applied for membership, and where the law required that he should reside on the homestead at least six months in each of the three years from the date of entry, I ruled that in my opinion this did not necessarily amount to a change of domicile where he returned to his original home for the remaining portion of the year, and that his domicile continued to be his original home until he finally left there to take up his permanent residence at his new home, and that under the circumstances he might be initiated in ordinary course without dispensation for that purpose.

12. In answer to a telegram reading:

"We hold your Charter No. 130 dated 26th September, 1860 signed T. Douglas Harington, Grand Master, which Charter is threatened with confiscation by the Grand Lodge of Quebec, as we think unjustly, will you protect our lodge of fifty or more members all in good standing, if we withdraw our affiliation from the Grand Lodge of Quebec and fall back on the original Charter? Please answer my expense."

I instructed the Grand Secretary, after careful consideration and conference with such of the Past

Grand Masters as were available, to reply that I had no doubt the intention when the Grand Lodge of Quebec was formed was that it should have exclusive jurisdiction within its own territorial area, that is, the Province of Quebec, and that all charters theretofore issued by any Grand Lodge should be surrendered and superseded by warrants from the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and consequently that the Charter referred to as outstanding was in that position merely by oversight. I also instructed the Grand Secretary to request that the Charter in question be returned to him for cancellation and to inform him that our Grand Lodge would recognize the exclusive authority of the Grand Lodge of Quebec in its own territorial area, and consequently that we would not take the action requested.

13. In reply to the questions:

1. What position does a past Grand Lodge officer occupy in a blue lodge, or to be more explicit, if a past Grand Lodge officer should be present in the lodge and notice gross deviations from established customs and matters contrary to the Constitution, has he the constitutional right to order the Worshipful Master to stop the work, whatever it may be?

2. Must the ruling Worshipful Master obey such order?

I replied that when the term of office of the Grand Lodge officer has expired he is, speaking generally, in the same position as any other Past Master of his lodge and had no more authority than an ordinary member of the lodge, but that I would regard it as the privilege, and even the duty, of any brother, whether a Past Master or not, who was present at a meeting where there were gross deviations from established customs and matters contrary to the Constitution, to respectfully address the Worshipful Master and refer him to the proper clause of the Constitution and ask his ruling, and have the request and the ruling noted by the Secretary, so that if the matter was to be further pursued it might be the subject of an appeal to the District Deputy Grand Master, or if necessary, to the Grand Master, but that it should be at all

times remembered that the Worshipful Master (subject to his responsibility under the Constitution to superior officers who have the prerogative right of assuming the gavel on their entry to the lodge) is supreme in his own lodge, subject to constitutional appeal.

14. On the application for a dispensation to permit lodge premises to be used for an At Home by members of the Preceptory, I ruled that the lodge premises might be so used but that dancing or card playing in the lodge room having been prohibited by a former ruling should not be permitted.

15. In the case of an application for an initiation where the eyesight of the applicant was defective in that he was very short-sighted, I ruled that this did not amount to a disqualification.

16. Where nominations for Grand Lodge offices were made by letter to the Grand Secretary in the month of March for the meeting of Grand Lodge to be held in July, I ruled that in my opinion the constitution intended that nominations were to be made at the meetings of Grand Lodge and there only, and authorized him to return the nominations to the brother making same and advise him that they could not be received until the Grand Lodge was in session.

17. In the case of a request for a ruling in the following circumstances:

“By resolution of the lodge a ballot was taken for two candidates and two blackballs were found in the box and the W. M. asked the J.W. how he found it and also the S. W., and was on the point of saying he also found it unfavourable, and was going to ask for another ballot when he was interrupted by a member who said he must not declare it but merely ask for another ballot singly.

If the W. M. had declared it unfavourable could he ask for another ballot at the time or would it have to go the required length of time before it could again be balloted upon?”

I replied that my predecessors in office had uniformly declined to give rulings in merely suppositional cases as being unnecessary and perhaps open to misconstruction, and declined to depart from what I considered a wise attitude on their part, although expressing the opinion that candidates should be balloted for singly.

18. Where an application was made to insert the name of a brother in a warrant of a new lodge where it was stated that by inadvertence the petition for dispensation was forwarded without his being one of the signatories, I ruled, following a previous ruling by M. W. Bro. Burritt in 1906, that no name can go on a warrant that is not on the petition, and no name can be erased from the warrant that is on the petition and in good standing at the date of the warrant.

19. Where the applicant had lost the thumb and middle finger of the left hand I ruled that in my opinion the candidate was eligible for initiation.

20. In reply to the question:

“Should the summons to members for meetings of the lodge be mailed in sealed envelopes or is it permissible to mail them in open covers?”

I ruled that such notices should be sent in sealed covers only.

21. On an application for a dispensation to shorten the time between the receipt of the petition of an applicant and the ballot thereon, I ruled that the provisions of section 190 of the Constitution reading as follows:

“The petition on being presented shall be referred to a committee of the lodge, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the character of the applicant, and any other matters relevant to the petition, and to report thereon to the lodge at its next regular meeting, held after the lapse of not less than four weeks,”

were explicit and could not be departed from.

22. In the case of the petition for initiation of a candidate who had lost four fingers, including the

knuckles of his right hand, leaving him merely with the thumb, I ruled that he was ineligible for initiation.

23. In the case of applicants for initiation who were members of Overseas Contingents, and in special cases that were to leave for the front at a time which would render it impossible in some instances to initiate, pass and raise, I authorized the issue of dispensations permitting degrees to be conferred within the period of time prescribed by section 204, reading as follows:

“No higher degree in Masonry shall be conferred on any brother at a shorter interval than four weeks from the date of his receiving a previous degree, except under dispensation from the Grand Master, nor, in any case, until he has passed an examination in open lodge in such previous degree.”

and in some very exceptional circumstances permitted the third degree to be conferred immediately after the second degree had been conferred, and in two or three cases of still greater urgency, permitted the second and third degrees to be conferred immediately after the candidate had been initiated. In each case where such a dispensation was authorized I directed the Grand Secretary to allow the dispensation to be delivered, without payment of the fee therefor in cash, upon the lodge undertaking to pay same if the fee was not remitted by Grand Lodge, and respectfully suggest to Grand Lodge that in all these cases the fees for dispensations should be waived.

24. In the case of an applicant for initiation whose application was accepted but, before he was initiated, he removed to the jurisdiction of a foreign Grand Lodge, application was made by the lodge in which his application had been accepted for a request to be preferred through me to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the foreign jurisdiction to initiate and confer the second and third degrees upon the candidate. I declined to authorize the request.

25. The lodge premises at Onondaga having been destroyed by fire, and there being no other suitable quarters at Onondaga where meetings could be held, I authorized the brethren of Onondaga to hold their meetings in the lodge room at Caledonia until such time as new quarters could be provided to replace those destroyed by fire.

26. Where a lodge omitted to elect an examining board at the regular meeting I authorized the issue of a dispensation to permit the election to be made at an emergent meeting.

27. In the case of the amalgamation of two lodges pursuant to section 254 of the Constitution reading as follows:

"Two or more lodges may amalgamate under one warrant. Each lodge shall adopt a resolution to that effect and appoint a committee of three members to arrange the terms therefor. Notice of such resolution shall be given at a preceding meeting in each lodge.

The report of the committee if favourable, shall recommend for adoption the name and number of one of the lodges and the time and place for such amalgamation. On the approval of the report of the committee by the lodges a copy thereof shall be mailed to the last known address of each member of said lodges about to be amalgamated, and unless seven or more members of either of the lodges notify the Secretary of their lodge, in writing, of their objection to such amalgamation within ten days from the date of mailing such notices, it shall be carried into effect as soon as the Grand Master shall approve of such amalgamation. The Grand Master, District Deputy Grand Master, or such other brother as the Grand Master may appoint, shall carry the amalgamation into effect by attending at the time and place named, when the members of the lodge present shall choose, by ballot, the elective officers who, with the officers appointed by the Master-elect, shall be immediately installed or invested if present.

The Secretary shall prepare and deliver to the Master-elect a list of the members of the amalgamated lodge, which shall be signed by the Worshipful Master and Secretary, and forwarded to the Grand Secretary within one month after the amalgamation. Every member of any of the lodges amalgamated shall be a member of the amalgamated lodge, but any member may pay all his dues and withdraw before such amalgamation has been effected. Any member under suspension for any cause shall have the same rights in the amalgamated lodge as he would have had in his own lodge had such amalgamation not taken place."

I directed the Grand Secretary to ask for certified copies of the resolutions by each of the lodges, including certified copies of the preceding meeting at which the resolutions were passed, with proof of mailing to the last known address of each member of both lodges, with a copy of the minutes of the respective lodges, before concurring in the appointment of the R. W. Bro. designated by the District Deputy Grand Master to carry the amalgamation into effect.

28. On an application for dispensation to initiate an applicant in a jurisdiction other than that in which he resided I required a statement of the reasons prompting the application, and not being impressed with them after consideration declined to permit the application to be dealt with.

29. Elk Lake Lodge No. 507. Mr. W. F. Melville. An applicant, ineligible for initiation owing to physical defect, having nevertheless been initiated by the Worshipful Master, aided by some of the Past Masters of the lodge, under a misconstruction of a recorded ruling, I directed that he should not be further advanced pending report to Grand Lodge and have referred the question of the procedure proper to be followed to the Standing Committee on Constitution and Laws for report at this meeting of Grand Lodge.

30. In answer to an enquiry whether the provisions of paragraph 172 of the Constitution reading as follows:

“At all meetings of a lodge, whether regular or emergent, seven members shall be a quorum, and no business shall be transacted at any meeting unless at least seven members of the lodge are present”

applied to fellow-crafts and Master Masons in the second and third degrees, that is, as to the number of each respectively required to be present, I ruled that they did.

31. Where the Master of his lodge was about to remove from the town where the lodge was located to Toronto before completing his full term of twelve months in the office, and the brethren desired to confer on him the title of Past Master and elect the Senior Warden to be Worshipful Master, I ruled that there was no authority for such procedure and that if the Worshipful Master resigned and the Senior Warden was elected for the balance of the term neither would be entitled to Past Rank on account of not having served for the period of twelve months. See sections 35 and 144 reading as follows:

“35. No brother shall be entitled to Past rank in any office in Grand Lodge or in any lodge unless he has served a full term of twelve months.

144. No brother is eligible to the office of Master of a lodge unless he shall have served for twelve months as Warden in a lodge in this jurisdiction, and no brother shall be entitled to past rank in any office in the lodge unless he has served a full term of twelve months.”

32. Where a petition for initiation was received on 26th December I ruled that I had no authority to grant a dispensation to shorten the time within which the application could come before the lodge for action, that is, at the next regular meeting of the lodge. See section 190 of the Constitution which is as follows:

"The petition on being presented shall be referred to a committee of the lodge, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the character of the applicant, and any other matters relevant to the petition, and to report thereon to the lodge at its next regular meeting, held after the lapse of not less than four weeks."

33. In the case of an applicant for initiation who at the time resided within the jurisdiction of an adjoining lodge to which he had at one time made application which had been rejected, and who was desirous of making application to a lodge in an adjoining district, I allowed the application to be made with the consent in writing of the first-named lodge, directing at the same time that the lodge to which the application was being made should be informed of all the facts.

34. With great pleasure I take this opportunity of officially recognizing the courtesy of M. W. Bro. John E. Wright, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and likewise of M. W. Bro. W. M. Christie, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, for complying with requests through me from private lodges in our jurisdiction to have degrees conferred by lodges in their respective jurisdictions upon brethren from some of our lodges who were there, in military camps, in training for overseas service. There have been a number of cases in both these Grand Lodges, and every possible courtesy has been extended to our brethren, and I can assure these Most Worshipful brethren and likewise the Masters of the subordinate lodges who performed the work at their request and under their instructions, that we feel ourselves under a deep sense of obligation for their fraternal action, and shall be pleased to reciprocate as opportunity may occur.

In the case of a member of Stratford Lodge No. 332, G. R. C. our Grand Secretary was requested to apply through the Grand Lodge of England to have the third degree conferred upon Bro. M. at Elias de Derham Lodge No. 586, Salisbury. The request was duly made but the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England replied that

the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of England made no provision for such cases, and the degree was not conferred.

35. North Entrance Lodge No. 463, Haliburton, Ont. In the case of this lodge, at their election of officers, Rev. Bro. White was elected to be the Worshipful Master and in due course was installed. When the matter was reported to the office of the Grand Secretary it was discovered that Rev. Bro. White had never served the office of either Senior or Junior Warden, and consequently was ineligible under the provisions of section 144 of the Constitution reading as follows:

“No brother is eligible to the office of Master of a lodge unless he shall have served for twelve months as Warden in a Lodge in this jurisdiction, and no brother shall be entitled to past rank in any office in the Lodge unless he has served a full term of twelve months.”

I ruled that the election was unconstitutional and invalid and directed the Grand Secretary to instruct Bro. White not to occupy the chair of the Worshipful Master or perform the duties pertaining to the office, and have referred the matter to the Standing Committee on Constitution and Laws to report upon the question of the procedure proper to be followed in such a case.

Dispensations.

1. In the case of the application of a ministerial student who had had no permanent place of abode for twelve continuous months during the last thirteen years owing to the duties devolving upon him in connection with the denomination of which he was a member, I decided that the applicant should be treated as one having no Masonic residence and authorized the issue of a dispensation to Guelph Lodge, where he was resident for the time being, to receive and act upon his petition for initiation.

2. Where a brother who had enlisted for overseas service and had received his fellow-craft de-

gree, and was ordered at once to go to the front, I authorized the issue of a dispensation to his lodge to hold an emergent meeting of the lodge for the purpose of conferring the third degree with less notice of the meeting than prescribed by the Constitution in order to meet the special circumstances of the case.

3. In the case of an application to a lodge in the jurisdiction adjoining that in which the applicant resided, where the lodge in whose jurisdiction he resided passed a resolution consenting to his application being accepted by the lodge in the adjoining jurisdiction on condition that the initiation fee was divided between them, and it being pointed out to them that the condition was not authorized by the Constitution, after which they withdrew the consent, I examined into the circumstance of the case and found that the balance of convenience was so much in favour of the lodge to which it was proposed that application should be made that I authorized the issue of a dispensation to the lodge to proceed with the initiation notwithstanding the revocation under the circumstances of the consent referred to.

Official Visits.

On 3rd October, 1914, I visited Georgina Lodge No. 343, Toronto, and was favoured by the attendance of a large assembly of officers and members of Grand Lodge and visiting brethren. The work of the evening was performed by W. Bro. H. F. E. Kent and his officers, and they proved themselves to be well skilled.

On 10th October, 1914, I visited the Beaches Lodge No. 473, Toronto. The meeting was very largely attended, and a large number of the ruling Masters of the City were present as well as many Grand Lodge Officers. It was the Annual "Canadian Night," and as in preceding years, was a pronounced success.

On 19th October, 1914, I attended the regular meeting of St. Alban's Lodge No. 514, Toronto, and, assisted by a large number of officers of Grand

Lodge, constituted and consecrated St. Alban's Lodge for craft purposes. R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, K.C., is to be most heartily congratulated upon the success which has attended his efforts as the presiding officer of St. Alban's Lodge, which has had a remarkably successful career and bids fair to be one of the great and influential lodges in the city of Toronto.

On 22nd October, 1914, I attended a meeting of Corinthian Lodge No. 513, Hamilton, and consecrated the lodge for craft purposes. The officers were particularly attentive to their duties, and the lodge is making excellent progress and has fully justified the action of Grand Lodge in granting it a charter.

On 5th November, 1914, I paid an official visit to the city of Ottawa, and at the request of the brethren dedicated their new Masonic Temple on Metcalfe Street. Over 500 Masons of the city and district attended, including R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, D.G.M., and a large number of Grand Lodge officers. Following the dedication a banquet was held in the banquet room of the hall and was most ably presided over by R. W. Bro. Thomas Shanks, D.D.G.M. The new Temple was built and furnished at a cost of over \$100,000, and is clear of debt. It is a very handsome structure, built on the most modern lines, fire proof throughout and is a lasting monument to the progressiveness of the members of the craft in the City of Ottawa.

On 20th November, 1914, I visited Alpha Lodge No. 384, Toronto, and received a most loyal welcome. On this occasion I dealt specially with the appeal on behalf of the Belgian Relief Fund, which received very generous support from the brethren. There was an attendance of approximately 400, and the meeting was most successful in every way.

On 29th December, 1914, on the invitation of Most Worshipful Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, I visited the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts at their 181st Annual Communication at the City of Boston.

The meeting was specially summoned for the installation of officers of Grand Lodge and the celebration of the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist. Bro. Professor W. H. Taft, former President of the United States, and myself, were the guests of honour. We were separately received with grand honours, and every possible courtesy was extended to us. In the evening a banquet was held in the Masonic Temple, and standing room was at a premium. In fact the attendance, both at Grand Lodge and the banquet, was stated to be the largest in the history of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, which is the oldest and one of the most prominent and influential Grand Lodges on the Continent of America. M. W. Bro. Johnson is an ideal presiding officer, and is deservedly most popular with the brethren. Nothing could exceed the grace and courtesy with which he presided over the deliberations of the Grand Lodge and likewise at the banquet, and in my Masonic experience I have never attended a more enjoyable function. The addresses of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, of Bro. Taft, and of R. W. Bro. Rev. Dr. Frederick W. Hamilton, the newly-elected Deputy Grand Master, were on a very high plane and greatly enjoyed by every person privileged to hear them. I trust that at no distant date the members of our Grand Lodge may have the opportunity of reciprocating the kindness of the M.W. the Grand Master and brethren of Massachusetts.

On 7th January, 1915, I attended a meeting of Great Western Lodge No. 47, Windsor, when the officers of the Lodge were installed for the ensuing year. I am informed that this meeting was the largest and most enthusiastic gathering which has been held in Windsor for many years. In addition to Canadian brethren from Windsor and indeed from all parts of Erie District, there were a large number of brethren from the City of Detroit and other points in the State of Michigan. Patriotic addresses of an eloquent and inspiring nature and a first-class musical programme were outstanding features of the banquet which followed the meeting. Among other speakers was R. W. Bro. Frederick B. Stevens of Detroit, Past Commander in Chief

of the Michigan Sovereign Consistory; Bro. Robert Healey, D.D.G.M., V. W. Bro. Rev. J. C. Tolmie, M.P.P.; Bro. Arthur W. Jackson, Mayor-elect of Windsor; Bro. Rev. Arthur Carlisle; W. Bro. Rev. W. H. Snelgrove, Master-elect of Windsor lodge; W. Bro. D. M. Eagle, Master-elect of Rose Lodge; R. W. Bro. W. N. Gatfield; V. W. Bro. J. F. Reid; and W. Bros. Birnie, Mead, Cadwell and Fleming.

On 12th January, 1915, I visited St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, Toronto, at their regular meeting, and subsequently had the honour of delivering an address to the brethren in response to the toast of "The Empire," which was most eloquently proposed by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, K.C., P.G.M. The meeting was attended by many eminent members of the craft and will long be remembered in the annals of St. Andrew's Lodge. W. Bro. John A. Graham has been most energetic in his administration of the affairs of the lodge and is splendidly supported by a very loyal set of officers, and in fact by every member of the lodge.

I am greatly indebted to the members for making me an Honorary Life member of the lodge and am very proud to be entitled to be enrolled as a member of this distinguished old lodge.

On 22nd January, 1915, I attended a Lodge of Instruction of the 18th (Nipissing) Masonic District at Cobalt, Ont., and was most agreeably surprised to find that the brethren of Silver Lodge No. 486, Cobalt, were the owners of most spacious and handsomely appointed quarters, and that in this comparatively new and sparsely settled district there were a very large number of excellently qualified members of the craft. I am informed that the attendance in the lodge room averaged about 350 members at the exemplification of each of the three degrees, and felt justified in saying that I had not witnessed better Masonic work in any portion of the jurisdiction than was exemplified for me on that occasion, in the first degree, by W. Bro. Lockington and officers of Haileybury Lodge No. 485; in the second, by W. Bro. Sutcliffe and officers of Temiscaming Lodge No. 462, New Lis-

heard; and in the third by W. Bro. Stewart and officers of Silver Lodge No. 486, Cobalt. W. Bro. Skill and officers of Elk Lake Lodge No. 507, exemplified, in excellent style, the closing in the third, second and first degrees. At the conclusion of the work a banquet was held in the lodge premises and was attended by about 400 brethren, and at the conclusion a silver collection in favor of the Belgian Relief Fund netted a very handsome addition to the funds of this most deserving charity. On every hand I found evidence of the splendid work of R. W. Bro. N. J. McAulay, D.D.G.M., and have much pleasure in expressing my official appreciation of the truly splendid work he has performed in Nipissing District during his year of office. Dispersations for new lodges at Espanola, Porcupine and Cochrane in some measure testify to his untiring exertions, and under his administration the progress and proficiency of Nipissing District places it in a position second to none in the jurisdiction. It is a matter of very great regret indeed that a rather serious operation makes it impossible for R. W. Bro. McAulay to be with us at our Annual Communication, and I am sure that one and all we wish him a speedy and perfect recovery from his indisposition.

On 18th February, 1915, I attended a Lodge of Instruction of Prince Edward District No. 13, at the town of Coburg, under the auspices of R. W. Bro. H. J. Clarke, D.D.G.M. The meeting is said to have been in every way the largest and most representative gathering of the craft in the history of the district. Representatives of 21 lodges were present, including brethren from all parts of the district, and in addition visitors from several of the surrounding districts. I was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Tanner, G.J.W., V. W. Bro. Major Alfred Curran, acting as Grand Director of Ceremonies, and by V. W. Bro. Frank Hague, G.S.D. The various degrees were well exemplified by United Lodge No. 29, of Brighton; St. John's Lodge No. 17, of Coburg, and by the Past Masters of the Lodges of the City of Bellville. In the evening a banquet was tendered by the ladies of Coburg in the Armouries and was very largely attended.

Inspiring addresses were delivered by the visiting Grand Lodge officers and likewise by R. W. Bro. Abraham Shaw, Mayor of Kingston; W. Bro. W. F. Kerr, K.C., of Coburg, and R. W. Bro. Clarke.

On 8th April, 1915, I attended a reception tendered to me by the Worshipful Master, officers and members of King Solomon's Lodge No. 22, Toronto, and was attended by a large number of Grand Lodge officers, all of whom enjoyed the occasion very much. The brethren did me the honour of presenting to me a very handsome loving cup, which I value most highly as a mark of their esteem. W. Bro. W. H. Roberts, Worshipful Master, was most ably supported by his officers and members, and administered the hospitality of King Solomon's Lodge in characteristically loyal fashion.

On 17th April, 1915, a reception was tendered to me by the Worshipful Master, officers and members of the eight lodges of the City of London, at the splendid new Masonic Temple erected a short time ago by the brethren, and which is a very commodious and well appointed structure. The brethren were kind enough to deliver a very flattering address to me and likewise presented me with a very handsome memorial in the form of a bronze clock, which was indeed a magnificent specimen of jeweler's work. In the course of the evening a splendid musical program was rendered, and later the proceedings terminated in a Ball, which was of a very select social character. R. W. Bro. Thomas Rowe acted as Marshal; W. Bro. Dr. C. H. Ziegler was chairman of the musical entertainment, and the other members of the committee were R. W. Bros. A. E. Cooper, A. E. Greer, T. G. Davis, U. A. Buchner, D.D.G.M.; A. B. Roberts, of Dutton; and V. W. Bro. W. A. Young. Mrs. McPherson accompanied me, and we shall ever regard ourselves as indebted to the brethren of London for their courtesies and hospitality.

On 19th May, 1915, I attended a Lodge of Instruction of Wilson District No. 6 at the town of Tillsonburg, under the auspices of R. W. Bro. Dr. H. McQueen, Acting D.D.G.M., in the absence

at the front of R. W. Bro. Major D. M. Sutherland, M.P., D.D.G.M. The Masonic Sun, in speaking of the meeting, says:

“It was the largest in point of numbers and the most successful in every particular that Wilson District has ever had, there being about 400 Masons present. One thing that made the gathering particularly pleasant was the presence of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Wm. David McPherson, K.C., whose personality and fluent speeches won the hearts of all brethren present and ensured for him the warmest welcome should he again visit Wilson District. The meeting authorized a cablegram to be sent to R. W. Bro. Sutherland, who is at present in a hospital in England, having been wounded while serving at the front, expressing sympathy and best wishes for a speedy recovery, and that a copy of the cablegram, together with a letter, be forwarded to his mother, Mrs. Sutherland, at Norwich. The work in all the three degrees was of a very high order and merited the praise which the Grand Master bestowed. St. John's Lodge, Ingersoll, exemplified the first degree, Vittoria the second, and King Solomon's, Windsor, the third. After the proceedings in the lodge had closed, the brethren were entertained at a banquet given in the Town Hall, and it was a fitting ending to the greatest Lodge of Instruction yet held in Wilson District.”

I feel that I would be withholding something to which the magnificent choir of King Solomon's Lodge was entitled if I refrained from speaking in terms of the highest admiration of the splendid musical ritual rendered by the Worshipful Master and choir of King Solomon's Lodge in the exemplification of the third degree. I can safely say that as a musical organization it stands in the very front rank and compares most favorably with the great choirs of the larger City lodges.

Since the meeting, R. W. Bro. Sutherland has been invalided home, and we welcome him here to-day most cordially.

On 22nd June, 1915, I paid an official visit to Mount Sinai Lodge No. 522, Toronto. The first degree was conferred by the Worshipful Master R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully, P.D.D.G.M., in an impressive manner. At the conclusion of the work I had the pleasure of presenting to R. W. Bro. Scully on behalf of the lodge, a very handsome oil portrait of himself as a mark of esteem with which he is regarded by the brethren. I am very proud of Mount Sinai Lodge as the dispensation for its formation was granted by me, and both numerically and in the class of its membership it has most fully justified its creation. At the banquet which followed, an excellent program of music and speeches was presented, and the musical and oratorical talents of the brethren were exemplified in a way which produced the keenest delight. The large number of visiting brethren included V. W. Bro. Charles E. Edmonds, D. of C., and a number of members of Grand Lodge.

Provincial Lodge of Instruction.

The Provincial Lodge of Instruction was held at Toronto on Wednesday, 14th October, 1914, and Minutes of the meeting are appended hereto. The meeting was very largely attended and in every way was an unqualified success, and has been a source of great assistance to the various District Deputy Grand Masters in the performance of their official visits. The work was exemplified at my request in the three degrees as follows:—First by W. Bro. Stuart H. Lees and officers of the Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton; second by W. Bro. Harry A. Scott and officers of Orient Lodge No. 339, Toronto; and the third by W. Bro. Arthur Gallow and officers of Rehoboam Lodge No. 65, Toronto. The opinion was general that the work was all of a very high degree of excellence, and I take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the kindness of the Worshipful brethren and their officers in performing their work. The expense attendant upon the holding of the meeting was only about one-half of that estimated and could not have been expended more usefully.

Grievances and Appeals.

St. John's Lodge No. 81, Mount Brydges, Ont. I am happy to be able to report to Grand Lodge that having met the Worshipful Master and almost all the resident members of the lodge in conference at Strathroy on 17th April, 1915, and in company with R. W. Bro. W. J. McCormack, D.D.G.M., and carefully investigated the difficulties with which the lodge had been afflicted for some years, we were able to effect what promised to be a complete reconciliation of the conflicting interests and received the unqualified promise of every member present to sink all differences and work harmoniously in the future. Under the circumstances I deemed it expedient to remove the suspension previously imposed upon Bro. W. T. C. West and so directed the Grand Secretary and it was removed accordingly. I sincerely trust that St. John's may enter upon a new and prosperous career and that at no distant date the district may regard some of its members as meriting promotion to Grand Lodge office.

Officers of Grand Lodge.

I have great pleasure in reiterating my appreciation of a year ago of the services of the Grand Treasurer for his careful guardianship of the moneys of Grand Lodge, and the wise and mature judgment he invariably brings to the investment of our funds.

The Grand Secretary and his excellent staff are also entitled to my thanks for assistance they have afforded me during my term of office. I have invariably found R. W. Bro. Gunn to be a painstaking officer, of great accuracy in his information upon precedents, rulings and other matters which with his careful attention to the ordinary duties of his office, makes him a most valuable officer.

Our Brethren at the Front.

Little did we think as we met with our brethren from the Grand Jurisdiction of the United States of America in July last year, commemorating the 100 years of Peace between their country and ours, that

our Empire was on the very verge of another great war, yet such was the case, and within three weeks thereafter war was declared.

In the ten years preceding the present titanic contest, Germany threatened Europe with war on three occasions; in 1905 when she demanded and obtained the resignation of M. Delcasse, the French Minister of Foreign Affairs as the alternative; in 1909 when she threw her "Shining Armour" into the scale and compelled Russia to acquiesce in the annexation of Bosnia-Herzegovina by Austria-Hungary and the tearing up of the treaty of Berlin, and again in 1911 when she endeavored, at Agadir, to coerce France and break up her entente with Britain.

The event however which precipitated this greatest war of history, was the assassination, on 28th June 1914, of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria, but that heinous crime was only an incident, though the last, in a chain of events which led up to the war. Austria, however, forthwith seized upon it as excuse for making an end of Servian independence.

The Entente Powers, Great Britain, France and Russia, were immediately faced by an Austrian-German demand to allow Austria to destroy the liberties of Servia, or fight.

The German view of the situation was "Heads I win, tails you lose." that is to say, If the Entente powers retreated when faced with war, then Germany would have asserted her military predominance; if not, the prospects were even better—the French army would be smashed, Paris would be occupied in three weeks, and Russia in her turn would be disciplined. Britain, it was thought, would probably not enter the arena, and even if she did, her intervention would be too late. Her army was too small to affect the issue in the decisive military theatre, and when France and Russia were defeated it was only a question of time for Britain also to be compelled to make peace. The moment seemed propitious. It was assumed that Italy could be counted on to be neutral. Russian army re-organization was not due for completion until 1916;

in France the railways were supposed to be disorganized, and recent revelations disclosed a great shortage of equipment and supplies. Britain was so divided internally as to be on the verge of civil war in Ireland; Turkey was almost in German hands; strategic railways to the Belgian frontier were completed and it was inconceivable that mere Belgian neutrality should be permitted to stand in the way of German destiny.

If Belgium resisted, so much the better, as Germany would then be able to keep some portion of that country at the end of the war, and her frontier would be brought to within 120 miles of Paris, making it impossible for France ever to think of resisting German Will, by force of arms, after the war. Victory was as certain as human foresight could make it. Such a favorable opportunity might never occur again; the German people could easily be persuaded by a press campaign that Germany had been wantonly attacked and that every citizen owed a duty to support the Government, without criticism or question, in defence of the safety and liberty of the Fatherland. For the purpose of evincing her absolute control of the situation and with a view to taking and maintaining a dictatorial attitude, the Austro-Servian embroglio was treated by Germany, in her diplomatic relation with the other nations, as a purely local affair, in which the rest of the world had no concern, knowing of course that this could not and would not be conceded by Russia or France. Austria then presented her ultimatum and demanded that it be answered within 48 hours. Servia answered, and acquiesced in practically all Austria's essential demands, except where her national honour was concerned, and the fact that Austria was not satisfied with so abject a surrender shows that war had been resolved upon from the first. Incontrovertible proof of this is the inclusion of the time limit of 48 hours, a step which paralysed all efforts towards peace and must be regarded as immediately responsible for the catastrophe which has overtaken Europe. The conclusion is irresistible that Berlin shares with Vienna the responsibility for this time limit inasmuch as the German White Paper admits that she "gave Austria an entirely free hand against Servia."

It is the pride of every British subject that Britain was not the aggressor, but that she was compelled to resort to arms in defence of the liberty and civilization, of humanity and sacred treaty obligations. She decided to go to war, and is supported by the Dominions over-sea, because her honour was involved, and the existence of the Empire was at stake.

Undoubtedly she was unprepared, but the general situation was that she had no option. The immediate violation by Germany of Belgian neutrality, coupled with King Albert's telegraphic appeal to King George to safeguard Belgian neutrality decided the question. Whatever doubt had existed up to that moment was cast to the winds. Thereafter there was no hesitation in the British Parliament or throughout the Empire.

Simultaneously with that event the Empire from one end to the other saw what Germany aimed at, and realization of it crystalized feeling into action which has received world-wide approval.

To the world generally, war is a horrible thing—a final resort by which to defend some vital interest, when all the ordinary methods of diplomacy and negotiation and compromise have failed. To the ruling classes of Germany, however, it is just the reverse. They glorify war as a supreme test of national character. Nations unwilling to risk war in support of their aims, are branded as inferior, destined to be trampled over by the superior determination and self-sacrifice of the Germanic race. War, therefore, with all its horrors, is the first instrument of their diplomacy, to be threatened and declared as it happens to suit the interests of Germany.

That any nation calling itself a great civilized power should threaten to attack a small inoffensive neighbor whose independence it had itself guaranteed, should trample it ruthlessly under foot as an enemy, because it valued its self-respect and refused under threats to open a right-of-way to the heart of a friendly neighbor—made men realize what the gospel of "winning your way by force of arms" really meant.

No nation ever desired peace more sincerely than Britain; no men ever wrought harder to avoid war than did her statesmen in the week immediately preceding the conflict. Their lack of success, then hard to understand, is now explained, for the avowed aim of German Imperialism is the destruction of British power, our national humiliation, and the partition of the British Empire.

From Treitschke downward, that idea has been an absorbing preoccupation of German historians, and is the ingrained German view of German destiny.

It being to the interest of Germany to break the treaty of 1839 regarding Belgian neutrality, ratified and affirmed by Bismark in 1870, she did it unhesitatingly, and avows it with cynical conempt for every principle of justice, saying, "treaties only bind when it is in your interest to keep them." The German Chancellor asks "What is a treaty?" and answers, "A scrap of paper."

Since the creation of the German Empire, the political principles of Prussia have been fused into a complete national philosophy, taught assiduously in every university and school, and ardently believed in by the mass of the German people. The State speedily came to be considered as an end in itself, as something beyond the people—an organism the primary function of which was the acquisition of power in order that it may prevail in the struggle for existence with other States. The people were taught that the noblest duty of the subject is dedication and sacrifice to the will of the State, without criticism and without question, and that the noblest function of the State is to express its power by domination, repression and conquest. The doctrine of national ascendancy—welt politik—has blinded Germany to the claims of Justice and Liberty, where the rights and independence of other races or nations are involved. She was determined that sooner or later her word was to be final in all great questions of international policy.

She assumed, no doubt, that the Belgians would bow to the inevitable and submit to her

invasion. She was mistaken. King Albert and his people protested with arms in their hands. Had Belgium been guided by considerations of material good and immediate interest, she would instantly have accepted the Kaiser's promise not to molest or injure her, if he was allowed an undisputed passage to the French frontier for his troops. But this easy and inglorious course received no consideration by Belgium for even a moment. She unhesitatingly chose the path of honour and duty, and made an irreparable sacrifice of material good for moral glory.

For the moment the Belgians stemmed the German torrent. Liege successfully resisted the enemy till overwhelming artillery pounded its forts to the ground. Foot by foot the gallant Belgians and their heroic King resisted, but the mass of invaders irresistibly rolled them back. Brussels, the Capital, and Antwerp the citadel had, successively to be abandoned. Finally almost all the kingdom was submerged. The government was compelled to retire to France and the King to his unbroken army.

Meanwhile the German legions, like a horde of barbarians, ravaged, plundered and destroyed the country they had solemnly engaged themselves to protect. For the moment Belgium was the bulwark of Europe and of public law.

The historic stand of Thermopylae against the hordes of Xerxes was not more splendid. There has been no desolation like it since the thirty years' war of three centuries ago.

We hoped we had progressed far from the possibility of the recurrence of such horrors. We are mistaken. German culture took a quick turn and left civilization, honour and chivalry far behind, ravished Belgium and sowed mines broadcast in the ocean to destroy, indiscriminately, enemy, neutral or friend, and cast bombs on peaceful towns and cities to kill women and children.

To such extremities have they proceeded that the civilized world, irrespective of nationality, was shocked beyond expression a few weeks ago when

the great ocean liner "Lusitania" was deliberately torpedoed and hundreds of innocent men, women and children non-combatants who were passengers, lost their lives.

For Christian worship the enemy have substituted a Pagan Deity called force. By it they would ruthlessly dethrone Right and all other moral forces. Its angels are Fury, Destruction and Rapine—its motto—Hate. It lacks honour, faith or reverence. In its name they ravage, massacre and plunder. At its shrine they burn their treaties as incense. By it they aim at the subjugation of the world.

Belgium was but one victim; France crushed, Russia defeated, Holland annexed, were but mile-stones on the road to the destruction of the British Empire, and when Europe was prostrate, America could not be said to be safe.

Posterity to the utmost ends of the earth must pay homage to the Belgians who sacrificed all but honour to preserve their own independence, and safeguard the liberties of civilized humanity. While love of liberty endures, and the character and greatness of a nation is measured by its ideals, the valour and heroism of the Belgians shall be the exemplar and inspiration to all the generations unborn. Impartial people of humane instincts will make it their first duty, when the deluge subsides to see to it that Belgium is restored to her own and rises to eminence as the great and glorious nation she so richly deserves to be.

In the conduct of the war Germany has been ruthless and brutal. Where her interests were at stake, there has been no code of right or wrong. Might has been the only law. Nothing else could justify to the German mind the appalling cruelty and vandalism in Belgium, carried out, not by an inflamed and vindictive soldiery, but deliberately, by officers, for a terroist purpose.

Belgium from the first has been treated brutally. She inflicted no wrong upon Germany, but was one of the most unoffending little countries in the world, peaceable, hard-working, thrifty, giving offence to

no one. Her fields have been trampled, her villages burned, her art treasures destroyed, her men slaughtered, yea, and her women and children too. Hundreds of thousands of her people, with homes burned to the ground, are wandering homeless in Belgium and abroad. Their only crime was that they trusted to the word of a Prussian King.

Belgian Relief Fund.

At the Provincial Lodge of Instruction on 14th October, 1914, I adverted to this subject, and a resolution was unanimously adopted in favour of inviting the brethren to subscribe to a fund for the relief of distressed Belgians.

The response has been the contribution of the sum of \$45,632.81, and I have had the honour of transmitting in four lots of \$12,500, \$18,500, \$9,000 and \$5,000 to His Most Gracious Majesty King Albert of the Belgians, for use among his distressed subjects, irrespective of class or creed, as in his judgment he deemed advisable. The acknowledgments I have received testify to his gratitude, and inform us that he has been able to alleviate much hardship which otherwise must have been allowed to continue.

Permit me, my brethren, to thank you all most cordially for your magnificent response which has been most highly appreciated.

Step by step events have progressed until now ten great nations are involved, and probably not less than thirty million men are, or ere long will be, participating, along lines of battle fronts aggregating several thousands of miles, and expending, during every minute of time, by night as well as by day what would amount to a princely ransom. Some idea of the cost may be arrived at when we know from official statements that the ammunition used in the battles of Langemarck and St. Julien alone in a couple of days, exceeds all that was used throughout the entire Boer war in eight months.

A large proportion of the factories of the world with a million or more skilled artizans, are working day and night in manufacturing munitions of war.

The casualty lists of dead and wounded are estimated at four or five millions and other millions are prisoners in detention camps.

The war has now been waged relentlessly for almost twelve months, and still lacks the decisive features which would indicate finality in any direction.

Fortunately for us and for this continent, it has, by the strength of the British navy, been localized, so that at this moment it is confined almost solely to Europe, though part of Asia and Africa are involved, but doubtless it will soon be compressed within European boundaries, as the navies of the enemy nations are unable to participate, except through the agency of mines and submarines.

We owe it to the Kaiser that this war has demonstrated the essential unity of our Empire. The German people were told by their advisers that the British Empire was decadent. Instead, it has proved itself to be tense with unity and instinct with life. It extends over every sea and continent, and has unquestionably been the great force in the interests of civilization and humanity. The British ideal of building up self-governing Dominions has proved itself to be the true one. It is an ideal of government, not by grace, but of right. The German colonies, on the other hand, have been State undertakings, not ruled by the will and consent of the people, but by a military autocracy. With us, undoubtedly, it is the spirit of the British constitution which, infused through the mighty mass, pervades, unites, and vivifies every part of the Empire even down to the remotest member.

Consider what Britain has done since war was declared. Then her army consisted of about 200,000 men; but since approximately 3,000,000 have been enlisted, equipped and armed. It has been done without conscription, or any of the arbitrary measures which are pronounced features of German administration. Our soldiers have proved themselves superior in fighting qualities, in endurance, in all that goes to make the ideal soldier, to

any that the German Empire have been able to put in the field. The past eleven months have proved that a nation which exalts freedom and liberty is superior to one which exalts mere unyielding, undeviating obedience to the law.

The great lesson of the response "with one heart and with one mind," from every part of the Empire to the Motherland call for help, is, that the unity and loyalty of every Over-sea Dominion is broad-based upon the free-will of the governed.

The watchword of the British Empire is, and always has been, not "Dominion" but "Liberty." For the German's belief in Germany it substitutes a profounder belief in humanity; instead of enforcing a uniform Germany it looks to the development of every other race and people within its boundaries to the highest of which it is capable; in place of the dominance of one race as the cement of an empire's unity, it inculcates spontaneous loyalty of the inhabitants to its self-governing institutions and the free spirit which informs them.

Today in South Africa we see General Louis Botha, who fought against the British a few years ago, now the Premier of a great self-governing British colony, and personally the leader of the British forces to a magnificent victory in German South-west Africa, conquering them and compelling the absolute and unconditional surrender of all their forces there. Could there be a greater tribute to wise and sagacious government? No other country would have dreamed of giving free government to the Boers after the war, and no nation except Britain would have dared to do it. No Empire ever received a richer harvest from any seeding than that which Britain has reaped as a result of her fair treatment of the South African Colonies. It proves conclusively that if men are trusted, they will loyally respond.

The Way of Today.

Of the tens of thousands of battles which have been fought in days gone by, of all the fields fertilized with carnage, of the banners which have been bathed in blood; of the warriors who hoped that

they had risen from fields of conquest to a glory as bright and durable as the stars, how few have continued long to interest mankind?

Wars and battles there have been however, that have fixed the fate of nations. These come down to us in history with a solid and permanent influence created, not by the rush of adverse battalions, the flight, the pursuit, the victory, but by their effect in advancing or retarding human knowledge, in overthrowing or establishing despotism; in extending or destroying human happiness.

Today Europe is embroiled in a situation which though unparalleled in the previous history of the world, by its stupendous extent, has yet not infrequently been equalled for that greatest of human blessings—the liberty of the world. Time and again in days gone by has it seemed as if all public liberty was in peril. But the Great Arbiter of human destiny each time decreed that the assault should fail, and that a higher civilization should ensue; So may it be in this occasion.

If the enemy triumphs in the present war it will be because we have proven ourselves unworthy the liberty and freedom we enjoy. Britain's duty, however, is not to consider defeat, but to throw all her energy into the conflict and win the fight, and it is Canada's no less than that of Britain and her allies, for if they are defeated there will be no part of the Empire more likely to feel the heavy hand of the German-Austrian militarism than Canada. It is not for freedom as an ideal only that we are engaged in this war, but for the salvation of our native land as a responsible and self-governing portion of the Empire.

Right well do we know that "the Flag that's braved a thousand years the battle and the breeze" is unfurled, not in aggression but in defence of liberty and sacred treaty obligations in behalf of the defenceless little peoples of the world, and that the struggle is for the continuance and growth of all we love and hold dear in life, and afterwards.

Greetings to Our Brethren.

Today, one and all, we send greetings deep and sincere to our brethren at the Front, and in the Camps, preparing for the call to go to the testing ground of the pitiless battlefield. From what has already befallen we know too well that of those who cross the Channel many there be who will not be spared to re-cross it.

It is an inestimable privilege to bear a part in one of the most momentous struggles in the history of mankind. We have seen that Canada's sons have gloriously performed, and we know that they will continue to perform, their duty in a manner worthy the best traditions of the British race. May their strength endure to enable them to add fresh and continuous lustre on arms that will for ever live in the grateful memory of their fellow-countrymen.

Reference must also be made to the magnificent work performed by the women of Canada and the Empire. They have worked late and early at knitting and needlework for our brave men, and thousands have volunteered for Red Cross work at the front where their services have been most highly prized. Nobly have the women worked, and no praise is too great for their self-sacrificing devotion.

While the issues of the war cannot be regarded as doubtful, yet the democracies of the Empire have a task of great magnitude before them—greater, probably now than was at first realized—and which will test the resourcefulness, the self-control, the patriotism, the efficiency for self-government of every portion of the Empire to its fullest extent.

That the military position today is at least as serious as it was at the commencement of the war is the opinion of our Right Worshipful brother Lord Kitchener, who tells us that the three necessary essentials to success are "men, material and money," and of these, at present, the most necessary is men, and more men, until the enemy is crushed," and that "our gallant soldiers in the fight

are beckoning with an urgency at once imperious and pathetic to those who remain at home to come out and play their part too."

In those gallant soldiers we have high-souled, unaffected citizen heroes. We know what happy homes they left for the dismal camp and the cheerless field, and well do we know the pacific habits with which they dared the perils of the field. There is no mystery, no madness under the name of chivalry, about them. It is all resolute manly resistance for conscience sake.

The blood of those who have fallen on the field of honour calls to us from the soil it stained with its crimson hue; it cries to us in thrilling words of the most moving eloquence, "My sons, forget not your fathers." Those fathers established the glorious Empire and made the most honourable conquests, not by destroying but by promoting the wealth, liberty and happiness of the human race. The duty of defending it has devolved upon the men of today, and sons of Canada by the thousands are doing it with the utmost bravery.

The Honour Roll.

With the co-operation of the Worshipful Masters and Secretaries of the various Lodges in our jurisdiction, I have had an "Honour Roll" compiled, containing the names and addresses, as far as we have been able to obtain them, of those members of the Craft and of Masonic families from Ontario, who have enlisted for service at the Front.

When finally completed, it will be published, and will form a magnificent record of noble and patriotic men from our jurisdiction, and will, I trust, be a great incentive to all of us, to do our duty as occasion may present itself, in our various walks of life.

While they are engaged upon the battlefield the faithful of every name employ the heartfelt prayer which has power with God. The feeble hand, unequal to any other weapon, grasps the Sword of the Spirit. From myriads of humble, contrite hearts, the voice of intercession, supplication and weeping mingles in its ascent to Heaven

with the shouts of battle and the shock of arms. The extent of the Empire's resources is equal, under God, to the justice of our cause, but should Providence determine in favor of our foes, and the Empire fall, there will even then be the satisfaction—the purest allotted to man—of having fulfilled our part among the nations. The names of those who fall will be enrolled with the most illustrious dead, while posterity, to the end of time, as often as the events of the time are reflected upon—and they will be incessantly recalled—will turn upon those entitled a reverential eye, as they mourn for the freedom engulfed in the tomb.

Our Duty to the Empire.

In the solicitude of every British subject to prove himself worthy of such a trust every thought of what is afflicting in warfare, every apprehension of danger, must vanish, and every man who can do so should be eager to aid in the defence of civilization.

All that our fathers fought for and achieved, all that we have inherited and accomplished, our institutions and liberties, our destiny as a nation, the existence of our Empire, all are at stake in this contest, and the resolution, the determination, the self-reliance and resourcefulness that has never failed Canada in the stress and trials of the contest must not be allowed to fail her now.

Our hearts were deeply stirred when we read the published letter from General Smith-Dorrien to General Alderson, Commander of the Canadian Division, in which he said:

"I should like you to communicate to the whole Canadian Division my thanks and admiration as Army Commander, for the services they rendered to the Second Army during the critical period following the successful attack of our Allies on the night of the 22nd of April."

And the address of Prime Minister Asquith caused Canadians, present at the Lord Mayor's meeting, in Guildhall six weeks ago, and also all of us at home, to thrill with pride when he spoke of those

noble deeds which have "won to Canadians an everlasting name." Tears came in the eyes of those who have lost dear ones in the war, but even for them there was some recompense in the glow of pride with which they were suffused as the vast spaces of the ancient hall reverberated to the sound of deafening applause, which was intensified when there was read Sir Robert Borden's message that our loss "had but strengthened the Dominion's determination to see the war through to a victorious termination."

And what of peace? Can there be peace before heroic Belgium has had her rights and her lands restored and her wrongs repaired; or until the world knows that it is to be governed not by force, but by truth, liberty and justice, for which the British flag stands? The fight is not against the Germans, but against the autocracy which controls them. We have no hatred against them, we wish for them the same freedom and justice as we have; the same right to govern themselves, and probably no greater blessing could come to the masses of the German people, many of them strongly opposed to militarism and autocracy than the overthrow of the system.

In resolving to fight the great struggle to a finish whatever it may cost in men or money, the people of the British Empire have also resolved to face more thoroughly than has been done in the past the stupendous responsibilities imposed upon them as the guardians of a system which gives peace and the opportunity of self development to one-quarter of the whole human race.

People in all lands will gain more by this struggle than is comprehended at the present moment. Not only will they be relieved from the greatest menace to their freedom, but something infinitely greater and more enduring is already emerging out of this great conflict, a new patriotism, richer, nobler and more exalted than the old.

In Canada, when the war is over, our people must fix even more securely than at present, on sure and certain foundations, those free British institutions which have been handed down to us and

upon the maintenance of which depends the peace, progress and prosperity of our people. Let us especially respond to the trust attaching to the rich inheritance we have received from our fathers; let us feel our personal responsibility to the full extent of our power and influence for the preservation of the principles of civil and religious liberty, and let us remember that it is only religion and morals and knowledge that can make a people respectable and happy under any form of government. Let us hold fast the great truth that communities are responsible as well as individuals; that no government is respectable which is not just; that without unspotted purity of public faith, without sacred public principle, fidelity and honour no mere forms of government, no machinery of laws can give dignity to Canadian public life. In our day and generation let us seek to raise and improve moral sentiment so that we may look forward not to a degraded but to an elevated and improved future, and when both we and our children shall have been consigned to the place appointed for all living, may love of country, and pride of empire, glow with equal fervour, among those who bear our names, and then, as now, may their endeavour be to "fear God, love the Brotherhood and honour the King."

In resigning to the hands of my esteemed successor, as I shall do in the course of the next few hours, the gavel of authority in this august body, permit me to say that during my official career I have done what in me lay to inculcate in my brethren a deep sense of personal responsibility, the practice of benevolence, and our duty to God and our country, regarding these as the great aims and objects of Masonic excellence, and confidently believing that by daily walking in these paths we are observing the tenets and principles of the Craft.

May the Great Architect of the Universe bless us all and ever enable us to glorify His Holy Name, and humbly say:

"Our Father, Who art in Heaven,
Hallowed be Thy Name,
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven;

Give us this day our daily bread,
Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them
That trespass against us;
Lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil,
For thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory,
For ever and ever,

Amen."

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

WM. DAVID McPHERSON,
Grand Master.

Hamilton, 21st July, 1915.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, and

Resolved, that the address of the M. W. the Grand Master be referred to a special committee to report thereon.

The M. W. the Grand Master named as such committee M. W. Bros. A. T. Freed, J. H. Burritt, Henry Robertson, J. Ross Robertson, Sir John M. Gibson, E. T. Malone, J. E. Harding and D. F. Macwatt.

The Grand Secretary presented the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's reports as follows:—

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of
Ontario..

I herewith submit a statement of the Receipts and Disburse-
ments and Investment Accounts of the Grand Lodge for the year
ending May 31st, 1915.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

To balance at credit in the Canadian Bank of Commerce at 31st May, 1914.....	\$ 1,410 20
Less outstanding Cheques.....	360 02
	<hr/> \$ 1,050 18

REVENUE.

Receipts from Grand Secretary:

From Lodges.....	\$42,147 81
Interest on Investments.....	4,981 01
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	104 25
	<hr/> 47,233 07
	<hr/> \$48,283 25

Debentures Matured and Paid:

Brockville.....	\$427 79
Berlin.....	740 65
	<hr/> \$ 1,168 44
	<hr/> <hr/> \$49,451 69

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Charges.....	\$25,304 57
Benevolent Orders.....	29,600 00
	<hr/> \$54,904 57
Dr Bank Balance at 31st May, 1915	\$4640 34
Outstanding Cheques.....	812 54
	<hr/> \$ 5,452 88
	<hr/> <hr/> \$49,451 69

All of which is fraternally submitted.

E. T. MALONE,

Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,

June 26th, 1915.

Auditor.

DETAILS OF DISBURSEMENTS.

1914

June	15—	G. H. Webster, Passenger Assoc. Circulars.....	\$ 13 00
		Hurley & Co., account to 1st June.....	208 25
		R. Raw & Co., account to 1st June.....	12 00
		Copp Clark & Co., account to May 28th.....	933 88
		R. Duncan & Co., account to June 1st.....	9 25
		R. Harper, floral tribute.....	25 00
		Rous & Mann—invitations, Peace Celebration.....	65 00
		Bro. Harding, Commissioner re St. John's Lodge 81.....	19 50
		Grand Secretary, account incidentals.....	300 00
26—		Grand Secretary, salary to 30th June.....	750 00
		Grand Treasurer, salary to 30th June.....	50 00
		Auditor, salary to 30th June.....	75 00
		Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 30th June.....	66 67
		Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th June.....	91 66
		Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th June.....	55 00
		Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th June.....	83 33
		Grand Master's stenographer.....	100 00
July	6—	Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 1st July.....	115 00
		Thos. Paul, expenses to St. John's Lodge 81..	14 00
		Deputy Grand Master, postage.....	15 00
		Bro. Harding, postage to July 15th.....	15 00
		Bro. G. S. May, postage to July 15th.....	10 00
		Grand Secretary, account Peace Celebration at Grand Lodge.....	29 65
		Bell Telephone Co., account to 30th September	15 00
		Buntin Gillies Co., account to June 29th.....	3 80
		Hurley Printing Co., account to June 13th....	158 00
		Bryant Press Co., account Peace Celebration	24 00
16—		G. S. May, on account expenses Grand Lodge and B. of G. P. at Niagara Falls.....	\$ 2,711 19
		Grand Master's expenses Peace Celebration at Niagara Falls..	288 81
			3,000 00
		Grand Secretary, incidentals.....	200 00
21—		J. B. Nixon, account Benevolent Investigation	200 00
28—		Grand Master, on account for expenses.....	500 00
		Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 31st July..	66 67
		Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st July.....	91 66
		Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st July.....	55 00
		Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st July.....	60 00
		Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st July.....	83 33
Aug.	4—	Robt. Raw & Co., account to 2nd July.....	10 25

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Aug.	4—Robt. Raw & Co., special printing.....	710 00
	Robt. Duncan & Co., account to 2nd July.....	17 17
	Electric Supply Co., moving telephone, etc....	4 23
	Valley City Seating Co., ballot boxes.....	270 00
14—	Grand Secretary, stenographer Peace Cele- bration.....	9 50
	Grand Secretary, redemption of coupons at Niagara Falls	
	Grand Lodge expense.....\$	54 75
	Peace Celebration.....	161 35
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	Heintzman & Co., rent and cartage of organ..	216 10
	Peace Celebration.....	15 00
	R. Kay, rent and cartage of piano, Peace Celebration.....	5 00
14—	Wm. Peel, bandmen, Peace Celebration, transportation etc.....	176 60
	Clifton Hotel, expenses of guests, Peace Cele- bration.....	353 69
	South Bros., for signs, Peace Celebration.....	8 00
	Kent & Sons, badges, Peace Celebration.....	133 70
	C. E. Musgrove, organist, etc., Peace Cele- bration.....	31 50
	W. H. Apted, printing, Peace Celebration.....	57 60
	J. R. Milne, quartette, Peace Celebration.....	50 00
	W. R. Price, rent of arena, G. L. Meeting.....	114 00
	Frank H. Leslie, printing Grand Lodge reports	119 75
	Times Printing Co., Grand Lodge reports.....	211 15
	Ontario Engraving Co., seals, etc.....	4 50
	J. B. Nixon, account Benevolent investigation	300 00
28—	T. Eaton Co., account Grand Lodge expenses.....\$	365 00
	T. Eaton Co., Peace Celebration..	737 00
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	Angus & Stonehouse, report of proceedings, Peace Celebration.....	1,102 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 31st Aug.	51 45
	Assistant, Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st August.....	66 67
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st August.....	91 66
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st August.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st August.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, sal- ary to 31st August.....	83 33
	L. De Carle, account for monument to Ziba M. Phillips.....	195 00
Sep.	1—A. T. Freed, Foreign Correspondence.....	250 00
	2—Grand Secretary, salary to 30th September....	750 00
11—	T. W. Lester, insurance premium.....	27 00
	H. Murray, insurance premium.....	27 00
	E. G. Payne, insurance premium.....	27 00
	Copp Clark Co., account to 1st September, certificates.....	370 00

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Sept.	15—L. Rees, choir, Peace Celebration.....	138 00
	Hamilton Gas Co., to 31st March, 1910.....	22 35
	29—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 30th Sept..	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th September.....	91 67
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th September.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th September.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th September.....	83 33
	30—Grand Treasurer's salary to 30th September..	50 00
	Auditor's salary to 30th September.....	75 00
Oct.	1—J. B. Nixon, account Benevolent investigation	250 00
	28—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 31st Oct.	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st October.....	91 67
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st October.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st October.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st October.....	83 34
Nov.	9—Hamilton Paper Box Co., account for boxes....	20 19
	Bell Telephone Co., account to Dec. 31st.....	15 30
	J. S. Gordon, warrants, addresses, etc.....	55 00
	Queen's Hotel, account D.D.G. Masters' expenses, Provincial Lodge of Instruction..	64 40
	Grand Secretary, postage on Proceedings	213 00
	J. B. Nixon, account Benevolent investigation	250 00
	16—Premium on Grand Secretary's Bond.....	12 50
	Grand Secretary, account, incidentals.....	200 00
	25—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk, in Grand Lodge office to 30th Nov.	66 65
	Assistant, Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th November.....	91 68
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th November.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th November.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th November.....	83 34
	Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 1st October.....	115 00
	27—Times Printing Co., on account for printing Proceedings.....	800 00
	R. Duncan & Co., account to 30th Oct	118 65
	Robt. Raw & Co., account to 28th October	24 50
	Copp Clark Co., on account certificates.....	500 00
	Interest on Bank Overdraft.....	11 95
Dec.	14—Jas. Cheyne, carpenter work.....	11 15
	22—Grand Master, balance expenses.....	500 00

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Dec.	22—Grand Treasurer, salary to 31st December....	50 00
	Grand Secretary, salary to 31st December....	750 00
	Auditor, salary to 31st December.....	75 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 31st Dec.	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st December.....	91 66
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st December.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st December.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st December.....	83 33
	Interest on Bank Overdraft.....	23 00

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Jan.	7—Copp Clark Co., account for certificates, to 20th October.....	529 84
	Times Printing Co., account for printing proceedings.....	709 00
	Robt. Raw & Co., account for printing.....	8 00
	R. Duncan & Co., filing cabinet, etc.....	231 80
	W. E. Stone & Co., binding lodge returns.....	12 50
	Masonic Relief Association of U.S.A. and Canada, per capita tax.....	284 93
	Bell Telephone Co. account.....	15 00
	Expenses of D.D.G.M.s at Provincial Lodge of Instruction.....	169 00
	29—J. B. Nixon, balance Benevolent investigation	200 00
Feb.	1—Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 1st January, 1915.....	115 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 31st Jan.	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st January.....	91 67
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st January.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st January.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st January.....	83 33
	Interest on Bank Overdraft.....	3 20
Feb.	24—Grand Secretary, account, incidentals.....	100 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 28th Feb.	66 66
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 28th February.....	91 66
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 28th February.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 28th February.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 28th February.....	83 33

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Mar.	5—Expenses of D.D.G.M. Erie District at Provincial Lodge of Instruction.....	20 45
	6—Times Printing Co., account funeral ceremonies.....	43 15
	R. Raw & Co., account to 1st March.....	8 05
	R. Duncan & Co., account to 1st March.....	20 60
29—	Grand Treasurer's salary to 31st March.....	50 00
	Grand Secretary's salary to 31st March.....	750 00
	Auditor's salary to 31st March.....	75 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 31st Mar.	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st March.....	91 66
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st March.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st March.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st March.....	83 33
	31—Interest on Bank Overdraft.....	16 60
April	13—Bell Telephone Co., account to June 30th.....	15 00
	Robt. Raw & Co., account to April 1st.....	6 20
	Hand & Co., account for tubes.....	17 20
	R. Duncan & Co., account to 1st April.....	54 70
	Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, heating account to 31st December, 1915.....	117 75
	Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 31st March.....	250 00
26—	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 30th April	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th April.....	91 67
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th April.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th April.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 30th April.....	83 34
	Interest on Bank overdraft.....	27 85
May	13—Rent of safe in Toronto General Trusts Corporation Vault to April 1st, 1916.....	40 00
26—	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Lodge office to 31st May	66 66
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st May.....	91 68
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st May.....	55 00
	Clerk in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st May.....	60 00
	Stenographer in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st May.....	83 34
	Interest on Bank overdraft.....	8 70
31—	Balance expenses of Grand Lodge at Niagara Falls, 1914.....	28 74

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May 31—Balance incidentals paid by Grand Secretary to 31st May, 1915.....	333 80
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	\$25,304 57
Benevolent Orders.....	29,600 00
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	\$54,904 57
Dr. balance due bank.....	\$ 4,640 34
Outstanding Cheques	812 54
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	5,452 88
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	<u>\$49,451 69</u>

The attached statement of Assets shows the amount to the credit of the General Fund on the 31st of May, 1915, and the sums invested, with the rates of interest. All the Debentures are deposited in the vaults of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the vault clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited—certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,
Auditor.

26th June, 1915.

GENERAL FUND

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1915.

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
Landed Banking and Loan Company.....	4½	4½	\$ 10000 00	\$ 10000 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	4⅝	4⅝	11000 00	11000 00
Berlin, Town of.....	5	4½	3434 72	3351 93
Berlin, Town of.....	5	5	5523 08	5523 08
Brampton, Town of.....	6	6	1964 26	1964 26
Brandon, City of.....	5	4½	10399 00	10000 00
Brandon, City of.....	5	4⅝	2116 04	2000 00
Brantford, City of.....	4	3⅞	8173 60	8000 00
Brockville, Town of.....	4	4½	2938 84	3137 78
Brockville, Town of.....	4	4⅝	3211 32	3378 91
Hamilton, City of.....	4	4¾	2777 70	3000 00
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4⅞	509 80	500 00
New Westminster, City of....	5	4.80	5125 50	5000 00
New Westminster, City of....	5	4¾	5208 50	5000 00
Oxford, County of.....	5	4½	1613 60	1509 58
Peterborough, Town of.....	4½	4½	5121 37	5121 37
Port Arthur, City of.....	5	4⅞	1009 31	1000 00
St. Thomas, City of.....	4	4 1-16	12026 07	12148 50
St. Thomas, City of.....	5	4½	5536 99	5351 16
Stratford, City of.....	4½	4⅝	980 95	1000 00
Strathcona City of.....	4½	4¾	4842 00	5018 28
Toronto, City of.....	3½	4.05	4484 14	4866 66
			<u>\$107996 79</u>	<u>\$107871 51</u>
Balance due Canadian Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1915, overdrawn.....			\$ 4640 34	
Cheques outstanding, May 31st, 1915.....			812 54	
				<u>\$ 5452 88</u>
				<u><u>\$102418 63</u></u>

E. T. MALONE,

Grand Treasurer.

Correct, June 25th, 1915.

HARRY VIGEON, F. C. A.,

Auditor.

1914-1915

PAYMENTS BY GRAND TREASURER ON ACCOUNT OF BENEVOLENCE

June, 1914

23 Bro. S.....	\$40 00
Mrs. J. H. G.....	40 00
Mrs. T. D. H.....	75 00
Miss M. W.....	75 00
Miss M. H. H.....	18 75

July

Bro. A. C.....	75 00
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Aug.

10 Mrs. J. V.....	30 00
Mrs. A. T.....	30 00
Bro. W. B. H.....	75 00
Mrs. H. J. H.....	50 00
Miss C. P.....	25 00
Miss U. P.....	25 00
Mrs. J. H. Q.....	25 00
Mrs. A. S.....	30 00
Mrs. C. G.....	30 00
Bro. T. K.....	50 00
Miss A. Mc.....	25 00
Mrs. R. A. K.....	40 00
Mrs. R. T. P.....	50 00
Mrs. T. H. W.....	25 00
Mrs. A. T.....	20 00
Mrs. J. J. M.....	50 00
Mrs. J. C.....	50 00
Mrs. J. R. G.....	25 00
Mrs. J. F. H.....	25 00
Mrs. R. M. K.....	25 00
Mrs. J. M.....	15 00
Mrs. T. E. Mc.....	25 00
Mrs. A. M.....	40 00
Mrs. H. G. V.....	40 00
Mrs. A. H.....	50 00
Bro. T. H. L.....	25 00
Bro. P. L.....	50 00
Mrs. W. J. Mc.....	30 00
Mrs. T. Mc.....	20 00
Bro. J. B. S.....	50 00
Mrs. M. R.....	30 00
Mrs. G. S.....	25 00
Mrs. R. W.....	25 00
Mrs. R. T. D.....	50 00
Bro. W. J. H.....	30 00
Mrs. C. W. M.....	30 00
Mrs. J. M.....	40 00
Bro. A. E. B.....	30 00
Mrs. J. B.....	40 00

Aug.

10 Bro. E. H. B.....	75 00
Mrs. J. W.....	30 00
Mrs. W. P.....	30 00
Mrs. T. E.....	30 00
Mrs. H. G.....	30 00
Mrs. J. H.....	10 00
Mrs. H. L. K.....	30 00
Mrs. R. O.....	20 00
Mrs. A. R.....	30 00
Mrs. J. P.....	25 00
Bro. J. A. S.....	75 00
Mrs. J. W.....	30 00
Mrs. J. A.....	50 00
Bro. C. B.....	50 00
Mrs. T. W. H.....	40 00
Mrs. J. W. K.....	25 00
Mrs. T. McC. L.....	40 00
Mrs. J. W. C.....	30 00
Mrs. G. C.....	30 00
Mrs. W. H. H.....	30 00
Mrs. A. J.....	30 00
Mrs. W. R. B.....	50 00
Mrs. W. J. S.....	40 00
Mrs. W. P.....	20 00
Mrs. B. C. T.....	30 00
Mrs. J. W.....	30 00
Mrs. T. B.....	15 00
Mrs. J. E. H.....	50 00
Mrs. W. H. W.....	30 00
Bro. H. J. C.....	50 00
Mrs. J. E.....	30 00
Mrs. P. G.....	40 00
Miss H. M. H.....	20 00
Bro. Wm. B.....	20 00
Mrs. W. H.....	50 00
Mrs. W. T.....	25 00
Mrs. D. B.....	30 00
Mrs. A. D.....	40 00
Miss E. M. K.....	20 00
Mrs. J. W. M.....	20 00
Mrs. W. G. T. R.....	20 00
Mrs. W. F.....	30 00
Mrs. A. H.....	15 00
Mrs. W. M. H.....	30 00
Mrs. F. A. G.....	50 00
Mrs. J. L. R.....	50 00
Mrs. T. B.....	25 00

Aug.

10	Bro. J. A. C.	75 00
	Mrs. W. D. J.	20 00
	Mrs. W. P. K.	20 00
	Mrs. A. L.	25 00
	Mrs. J. M.	25 00
	Mrs. W. M.	30 00
	Mrs. C. W. M.	10 00
	Mrs. A. M.	10 00
	Mrs. T. S. S.	20 00
	Mrs. W. H. T.	40 00
	Mrs. W. B.	30 00
	Mrs. H. C.	20 00
	Mrs. G. N.	25 00
	Mrs. E. L.	30 00
	Mrs. W. E. J.	50 00
	Mrs. C. M.	40 00
	Miss A. B.	20 00
	Mrs. H. H.	25 00
	Bro. A. R. M.	75 00
	Mrs. D. M.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H. S.	30 00
	Mrs. G. S.	30 00
	Mrs. T. A.	30 00
	Mrs. W. J. C.	30 00
	Mrs. E. F.	40 00
	Mrs. J. L. H.	20 00
	Bro. J. H.	75 00
	Bro. W. J. R.	75 00
	Mrs. R. J. L.	30 00
	Mrs. F. S. B.	40 00
	Mrs. A. E. B.	75 00
	Mrs. T. G.	50 00
	Mrs. J. H.	30 00
	Bro. J. H. P.	75 00
	Bro. F. R.	50 00
	Mrs. T. G. T.	30 00
	Mrs. E. G. W.	25 00
	Mrs. D. H. W.	25 00
	Bro. R. J. H.	50 00
	Mrs. J. M.	20 00
	Mrs. A. R. P.	40 00
	Mrs. J. T. G.	30 00
	Mrs. W. P.	30 00
	Mrs. S. S.	30 00
	Mrs. D. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.	20 00
	Mrs. J. F. B.	30 00
	Mrs. W. A. B.	30 00
	Miss E. E.	20 00
	Bro. C. G.	50 00
	Mrs. J. P.	20 00
	Mrs. T. R.	25 00
	Mrs. A. W.	25 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Miss M. C.	30 00
	Bro. F. J.	50 00

Aug.

10	Mrs. R. A. M.	40 00
	Mrs. J. R. L. S.	25 00
	Mrs. G. H. B.	40 00
	Mrs. W. C. M.	50 00
	Mrs. J. R. W.	30 00
	Mrs. H. T. L.	40 00
	Mrs. F. D.	40 00
	Mrs. O. J. A.	30 00
	Mrs. G. B. L.	30 00
	Mrs. J. S. G.	20 00
	Mrs. R. K.	50 00
	Mrs. T. H.	50 00
	Mrs. W. P.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. H.	25 00
	Mrs. H. St. V. J.	20 00
	Mrs. H. S. M.	20 00
	Mrs. G. M. M.	40 00
	Mrs. C. H. N.	40 00
	Mrs. R. C.	30 00
	Mrs. F. W. S.	40 00
	Mrs. H. M.	50 00
	Mrs. A. V. F.	40 00
	Mrs. W. C. H.	40 00
	Mrs. F. A. R.	50 00
	Mrs. C. F. H. S.	40 00
	Mrs. J. H. W.	20 00
	Mrs. H. F. G.	50 00
	Mrs. S. B.	20 00
	Mrs. W. A. B.	30 00
	Bro. H. E. C.	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.	30 00
	Mrs. C. F. S.	50 00
	Mrs. G. E. W.	50 00
	Bro. M. G. R.	75 00
	Mrs. J. A. B.	30 00
	Mrs. F. M. B.	40 00
	Mrs. H. H.	40 00
	Mrs. J. M.	25 00
	Mrs. J. S.	30 00
	Mrs. R. B.	40 00
	Bro. A. B.	75 00
	Mrs. W. T. W.	40 00
	Bro. J. A. M.	75 00
	Mrs. S. C.	20 00
	Bro. S. B.	75 00
	Orphans Bro. S.	
	M. C.	50 00
	Miss A. C.	50 00
	Bro. W. P. K.	50 00
	Mrs. A. A. C.	50 00
	Mrs. G. C. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. M.	50 00
	Mrs. W. F.	50 00
	Mrs. R. A. D.	40 00
	Mrs. C. H.	30 00

Aug.

10	Mrs. C. J. H.	40 00
	Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
	Mrs. S. T. R.	30 00
	Mrs. W. B. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. C.	25 00
	Bro. D. L.	25 00
	Mrs. T. H. S.	40 00
	Mrs. W. W.	10 00
	Miss S. W.	30 00
	Mrs. H. E.	25 00
	Mrs. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. A. D. P.	30 00
	Mrs. T. H.	30 00
	Bro. R. R.	75 00
	Bro. S. A. M.	50 00
	Mrs. E. W.	30 00
	Orphans W. H. W.	30 00
	Mrs. C. J. A.	20 00
	Mrs. H. A.	40 00
	Mrs. A. A. B.	25 00
	Mrs. J. D. I.	50 00
	Mrs. A. R. V.	25 00
	Mrs. J. G. S.	50 00
	Mrs. H. C.	40 00
	Mrs. N. R. E.	30 00
	Mrs. W. K.	30 00
	Mrs. W. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. J. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. H.	40 00
	Bro. J. F. W.	30 00
	Mrs. C. C.	25 00
	Bro. G. C.	50 00
	Bro. F. M.	75 00
	Bro. J. M.	50 00
	Bro. R. T. A.	75 00
	Bro. J. K.	75 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Bro. F. R.	30 00
	Bro. W. A. R.	75 00
	Bro. J. W.	50 00
	Mrs. A. W.	40 00
	Mrs. J. B.	20 00
	Bro. H. C. P.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E.	20 00
	Mrs. T. G.	30 00
	Mrs. C. F. R.	40 00
	Mrs. W. K. A.	15 00
	Mrs. A. C. C.	20 00
	Mrs. J. L. C.	30 00
	Mrs. J. G.	20 00
	Mrs. M. M.	25 00
	Mrs. C. H. C.	20 00
	Mrs. G. C. F.	50 00
	Mrs. G. G.	20 00
	Mrs. W. E. K.	20 00

Aug.

10	Mrs. M. J. L.	20 00
	Mrs. S. T.	40 00
	Mrs. I. H. P.	20 00
	Mrs. E. G. A.	25 00
	Mrs. P. F.	30 00
	Bro. A. E.	50 00
	Mrs. R. W. L.	30 00
	Mrs. W. M.	50 00
	Mrs. J. H.	30 00
	Bro. W. E. P.	75 00
	Bro. F. J. W.	20 00
	Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
	Mrs. W. A.	30 00
	Mrs. C. E. D.	50 00
	Mrs. J. W.	50 00
	Mrs. G. R.	40 00
	Mrs. J. S.	20 00
	Mrs. G. A. T.	25 00
	Bro. R. N. F.	75 00
	Mrs. C. F.	30 00
	Mrs. J. H. T.	30 00
	Mrs. G. W. V.	40 00
	Mrs. J. W. M.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. A.	30 00
	Mrs. T. G. B.	50 00
	Mrs. C. B. per L.	
	B.	10 00
	Mrs. D. G. K.	40 00
	Mrs. G. S.	40 00
	Mrs. J. F.	50 00
	Miss M. L.	20 00
	Mrs. J. R.	50 00
	Mrs. N. M. C.	40 00
	Mrs. T. E. T.	50 00
	Bro. G. W. A. P.	75 00
	Mrs. B. R.	25 00
	Mrs. J. P.	40 00
	Bro. R. A.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A.	50 00
	Miss H. S.	30 00
	Mrs. E. G.	30 00
	Mrs. T. H.	25 00
	Bro. A. B.	50 00
	Mrs. C. A. C.	25 00
	Mrs. G. A. S.	40 00
	Bro. J. M.	50 00
	Mrs. W. R. S.	30 00
	Bro. H. T.	50 00
	Mrs. R. L. S.	50 00
	Mrs. H. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. F.	30 00
	Bro. F. M. P. W.	75 00
	Mrs. A. S.	20 00
	Bro. W. M. P.	50 00
	Mrs. A. K.	30 00
	Bro. W. H. L.	75 00

Aug.

10	Mrs. J. Z.	30 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Bro. W. B. A.	30 00
	Mrs. D. M.	30 00
	Mrs. R. C.	20 00
	Mrs. J. D. D.	40 00
	Bro. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. W. D.	25 00
	Mrs. R. S. M.	30 00
	Mrs. R. T. H.	25 00
	Mrs. G. H. A.	40 00
	Mrs. R. V.	40 00
	Mrs. T. L.	40 00
	Mrs. W. B. U.	30 00
	Mrs. E. D.	40 00
	Mrs. J. P. V.	30 00
	Mrs. J. F. S.	25 00
	Bro. J. K. M.	50 00
	Bro. C. S.	75 00
	Mrs. T. R. W.	30 00
	Mrs. H. R.	35 00
	Mrs. J. L. R.	50 00
	Mrs. A. E. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. M.	25 00
	Mrs. J. D. M.	30 00
	Mrs. D. H. C.	30 00
	Mrs. R. G. R.	20 00
	Mrs. H. L.	30 00
	Mrs. A. M. M.	40 00
	Bro. J. M.	50 00
	Bro. J. C. M.	50 00
	Bro. J. B.	75 00
	Mrs. J. S.	30 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
	Mrs. J. W. W.	40 00
	Bro. G. W.	50 00
	Bro. H. H.	30 00
	Bro. G. A. F. C.	40 00
	Mrs. J. G.	40 00
	Bro. D. T.	75 00
	Mrs. J. W. R.	25 00
	Mrs. R. R. M.	25 00
	Mrs. S. H. W.	40 00
	Widow of H. R. S.	30 00
	Bro. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. C.	30 00
	Bro. S. C. D.	75 00
	M. C.	30 00
	Mrs. J. C.	40 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
	Bro. H. C. E. C.	25 00
	Mrs. J. K. A.	50 00
	Bro. H. A.	50 00
	Bro. T. M.	50 00

Aug.

10	Bro. W. H. H.	50 00
	Bro. J. N.	50 00
	Bro. G. W. S.	50 00
	Mrs. W. B.	30 00
	Mrs. H. P.	50 00
	Bro. S. S.	30 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
	Mrs. W. B.	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.	25 00
	Mrs. A. C.	50 00
	Bro. W. A. K.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A. R.	30 00
	Children of Bro. V.	50 00
	Bro. D. C.	75 00
	Bro. J. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. G.	50 00
	Mrs. A. B.	50 00
	Mrs. G. P.	40 00

August

21	Miss M. J. T.	50 00
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September

1	Mrs. J. P.	50 00
	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
	Miss M. W.	75 00
	Mrs. M. H. H.	18 75

October

9	Bro. S. R.	50 00
14	Mrs. S. R.	50 00
26	Mrs. J. M.	50 00
	Miss L. M.	50 00
	Miss B. M.	50 00

November

16	Mrs. E. J. R.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A. M.	50 00
	Daughter, A.B.F.	50 00

December

21	Mrs. J. C.	50 00
28	Mrs. H.	75 00
30	Miss M. W.	75 00
	Miss M. H. H.	18 75

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February

12	Mrs. J. V.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H. T.	30 00
	Mrs. H. J. H.	50 00
	Miss C. P.	25 00
	Miss U. P.	25 00
	Mrs. J. B. Q.	25 00
	Mrs. A. S.	30 00
	Mrs. G. G.	30 00
	Mrs. T. K.	50 00
	Miss A. M.	25 00
	Mrs. C. P.	40 00
	Mrs. R. A. K.	40 00
	Mrs. R. T. P.	50 00
	Mrs. T. H. W.	25 00

February

12 Mrs. A. T.....	20 00
Mrs. J. J. M.....	50 00
Mrs. J. C.....	50 00
Mrs. J. R. G.....	25 00
Mrs. J. F. H.....	25 00
Mrs. R. M. K.....	25 00
Mrs. T. E. M.....	25 00
Mrs. A. M.....	40 00
Mrs. H. V.....	40 00
Mrs. A. H.....	50 00
Bro. T. H. L.....	25 00
Bro. P. L.....	50 00
Mrs. W. J. M.....	30 00
Mrs. T. M.....	20 00
Bro. J. B. S.....	50 00
Mrs. M. R.....	30 00
Mrs. G. S.....	25 00
Bro. R. T. D.....	50 00
Bro. W. J. H.....	30 00
Mrs. C. W. M.....	30 00
Mrs. J. M.....	40 00
Bro. A. E. B.....	30 00
Mrs. J. B.....	40 00
Bro. E. H. B.....	75 00
Mrs. W. P.....	30 00
Mrs. T. E.....	30 00
Mrs. H. G.....	30 00
Mrs. J. H.....	10 00
Mrs. H. L. K.....	30 00
Mrs. R. O.....	20 00
Mrs. A. P.....	30 00
Mrs. J. P.....	25 00
Bro. J. A. S.....	75 00
Mrs. J. W.....	30 00
Mrs. J. A.....	50 00
Bro. C. B.....	50 00
Mrs. T. W. H.....	40 00
Mrs. J. W. K.....	25 00
Mrs. T. McC. L.....	40 00
Mrs. J. W. C.....	30 00
Mrs. G. C.....	30 00
Mrs. W. H. H.....	30 00
Mrs. A. J.....	30 00
Mrs. W. J. S.....	40 00
Mrs. W. P.....	20 00
Mrs. B. C. T.....	30 00
Mrs. J. W.....	30 00
Mrs. T. B.....	15 00
Mrs. W. H. W.....	30 00
Bro. W. J. C.....	50 00
Mrs. J. E.....	30 00
Mrs. P. G.....	40 00
Miss H. M. H.....	20 00
Mrs. W. B.....	20 00
Mrs. W. H.....	50 00
Mrs. W. T.....	25 00

February

12 Mrs. D. B.....	30 00
Mrs. A. D.....	40 00
Miss E. M. K.....	20 00
Mrs. J. W. M.....	20 00
Mrs. W. G. T. R.....	20 00
Mrs. W. F.....	30 00
Mrs. A. H.....	15 00
Mrs. W. M. H.....	30 00
Mrs. F. A. G.....	50 00
Mrs. J. L. R.....	50 00
Mrs. T. B.....	25 00
Bro. J. A. C.....	75 00
Mrs. W. D. J.....	20 00
Mrs. W. P. K.....	20 00
Mrs. A. L.....	25 00
Mrs. J. M.....	25 00
Mrs. W. M.....	30 00
Mrs. C. W. M.....	10 00
Mrs. A. M.....	10 00
Mrs. T. S. S.....	20 00
Mrs. W. H. T.....	40 00
Mrs. W. H. B.....	30 00
Mrs. H. C.....	20 00
Mrs. G. N.....	25 00
Mrs. E. L.....	30 00
Mrs. W. E. J.....	50 00
Mrs. C. M.....	40 00
Miss A. B.....	20 00
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Mrs. D. H.....	30 00
Mrs. W. H. S.....	30 00
Mrs. G. S.....	30 00
Mrs. T. A.....	30 00
Mrs. W. J. C.....	30 00
Mrs. E. F.....	40 00
Mrs. J. L. H.....	20 00
Bro. J. H.....	75 00
Bro. W. J. K.....	75 00
Mrs. R. J. L.....	30 00
Mrs. F. S. B.....	40 00
Mrs. A. E. B.....	75 00
Mrs. T. G.....	50 00
Mrs. J. H.....	30 00
Bro. J. J. P.....	75 00
Bro. F. R.....	50 00
Mrs. T. G. T.....	30 00
Mrs. E. S. Warne.....	25 00
Mrs. D. H. W.....	25 00
Bro. R. J. H.....	50 00
Mrs. J. M.....	20 00
Mrs. A. R. P.....	40 00
Mrs. J. T. G.....	30 00
Mrs. W. P.....	30 00
Mrs. S. S.....	30 00
Mrs. D. B.....	30 00
Mrs. J. W. B.....	20 00

February

12	Mrs. J. W. B.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H. B.	30 00
	Miss E. E.	20 00
	Bro. C. W. G.	50 00
	Mrs. T. R.	25 00
	Mrs. A. W.	25 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Miss M. C.	30 00
	Bro. F. J.	50 00
	Mrs. R. H. M.	40 00
	Mrs. J. R. L. S.	25 00
	Mrs. G. H. B.	40 00
	Mrs. W. O. M.	50 00
	Mrs. J. R. W.	30 00
	Mrs. H. T. L.	40 00
	Mrs. F. D.	40 00
	Mrs. O. J. A.	30 00
	Mrs. G. D. L.	30 00
	Mrs. J. S. G.	20 00
	Mrs. R. K.	50 00
	Mrs. T. M.	50 00
	Mrs. W. P.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. H.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H.	25 00
	Mrs. H. St. V. J.	20 00
	Mrs. H. S. M.	20 00
	Mrs. G. M. M.	40 00
	Mrs. G. H. N.	40 00
	Mrs. R. C.	30 00
	Mrs. F. W. S.	40 00
	Mrs. H. M.	50 00
	Mrs. A. V. F.	40 00
	Mrs. F. A. R.	50 00
	Mrs. C. F. H. S.	40 00
	Mrs. J. H. W.	20 00
	Mrs. H. F. G.	50 00
	Mrs. S. B.	20 00
	Mrs. W. R. B.	30 00
	Bro. H. E. C.	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.	30 00
	Mrs. G. F. S.	50 00
	Mrs. G. E. W.	50 00
	Bro. M. G. R.	75 00
	Mrs. J. A. B.	30 00
	Mrs. F. M. B.	40 00
	Mrs. H. H.	40 00
	Mrs. J. M.	25 00
	Mrs. J. S.	30 00
	Mrs. R. B.	40 00
	Mrs. W. T. W.	40 00
	Mrs. J. A. U.	75 00
	Mrs. A. C.	20 00
	Bro. S. B.	75 00
	Miss A. C.	50 00
	Mrs. A. A. C.	50 00
	Mrs. G. O. W.	50 00

February

12	Mrs. J. M.	50 00
	Mrs. W. F.	50 00
	Mrs. R. A. D.	40 00
	Mrs. C. H.	30 00
	Mrs. C. J. H.	40 00
	Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
	Mrs. S. S. R.	30 00
	Mrs. W. B. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. C.	25 00
	Mrs. D. L.	25 00
	Mrs. T. H. S.	40 00
	Mrs. W. W.	10 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Mrs. H. E.	25 00
	Mrs. A. C.	30 00
	Bro. R. R.	75 00
	Bro. S. A. M.	50 00
	Mrs. E. W.	30 00
	Miss F. W.	30 00
	Mrs. C. J. A.	20 00
	Mrs. H. A.	40 00
	Mrs. A. A. B.	25 00
	Mrs. J. D. Irwin	50 00
	Mrs. A. R. V.	25 00
	Mrs. J. G. S.	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.	40 00
	Mrs. N. R. E.	30 00
	Mrs. W. K.	30 00
	Mrs. W. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. J. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. H.	40 00
	Bro. J. F. W.	30 00
	Mrs. C. C.	25 00
	Bro. G. C.	50 00
	Bro. F. M.	75 00
	Bro. J. M.	50 00
	Bro. R. T. A.	75 00
	Bro. J. K.	75 00
	Bro. F. R.	30 00
	Bro. W. A. R.	75 00
	Bro. J. W.	50 00
	Mrs. A. W.	40 00
	Mrs. J. B.	20 00
	Bro. H. C. P.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E.	20 00
	Mrs. T. G.	30 00
	Mrs. C. F. R.	40 00
	Mrs. W. K. A.	15 00
	Mrs. A. C. C.	20 00
	Mrs. J. L. C.	30 00
	Mrs. J. G.	20 00
	Mrs. M. M.	25 00
	Mrs. C. H. C.	20 00
	Mrs. G. O. F.	50 00
	Mrs. G. G.	20 00

February

12	Mrs. W. E. K.....	20 00
	Mrs. M. J. L.....	20 00
	Mrs. S. T.....	40 00
	Mrs. I. H. P.....	20 00
	Mrs. E. C. A.....	25 00
	Mrs. P. F.....	30 00
	Bro. A. E.....	50 00
	Mrs. R. W. L.....	30 00
	Mrs. W. M.....	50 00
	Mrs. J. H.....	30 00
	Bro. W. E. P.....	75 00
	Bro. J. E. R.....	75 00
	Mrs. W. A.....	30 00
	Mrs. C. E. D.....	50 00
	Mrs. J. W.....	50 00
	Mrs. G. R.....	40 00
	Mrs. J. S.....	20 00
	Mrs. G. A. T.....	25 00
	Mrs. C. F.....	30 00
	Mrs. G. H. T.....	30 00
	Mrs. G. W. V.....	40 00
	Mrs. J. W. M.....	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. A.....	30 00
	Mrs. T. G. B.....	50 00
	Mrs. C. B.....	10 00
	Mrs. D. G. K.....	40 00
	Mrs. G. S.....	40 00
	Mrs. J. F.....	50 00
	Miss M. L.....	20 00
	Mrs. J. R.....	50 00
	Mrs. N. M. C.....	40 00
	Mrs. T. E. T.....	50 00
	Mrs. B. R.....	25 00
	Mrs. J. P.....	40 00
	Bro. R. A.....	50 00
	Mrs. J. A.....	50 00
	Miss H. S.....	30 00
	Mrs. E. G.....	30 00
	Mrs. T. H.....	25 00
	Bro. A. B.....	50 00
	Mrs. C. A. C.....	25 00
	Mrs. G. A. S.....	40 00
	Bro. J. M.....	50 00
	Mrs. W. R. S.....	30 00
	Bro. H. T.....	50 00
	Mrs. R. L. S.....	50 00
	Mrs. H. H.....	30 00
	Mrs. J. F.....	30 00
	Bro. F. M. P. W.....	75 00
	Mrs. A. S.....	20 00
	Bro. W. W. P.....	50 00
	Mrs. A. K.....	30 00
	Bro. W. H. L.....	75 00
	Mrs. J. Z.....	30 00
	Mrs. S. W.....	30 00
	Bro. W. B. A.....	30 00

February

	Mrs. D. M.....	30 00
	Mrs. R. C.....	20 00
	Bro. J. C.....	50 00
12	Mrs. W. D.....	25 00
	Mrs. R. S. M.....	30 00
	Mrs. R. T. H.....	25 00
	Mrs. G. W. A.....	40 00
	Mrs. R. V.....	40 00
	Mrs. T. L.....	40 00
	Mrs. W. B. U.....	30 00
	Mrs. E. D.....	40 00
	Mrs. J. F. V.....	30 00
	Mrs. J. F. S.....	25 00
	Bro. J. H. M.....	50 00
	Bro. C. S.....	75 00
	Mrs. T. R. W.....	30 00
	Mrs. H. R.....	35 00
	Mrs. A. E. H.....	30 00
	Mrs. J. M.....	25 00
	Mrs. J. D. M.....	30 00
	Mrs. D. H. C.....	30 00
	Mrs. R. G. R.....	20 00
	Mrs. H. L.....	30 00
	Mrs. A. A. M.....	40 00
	Bro. J. M.....	50 00
	Bro. J. C. M.....	50 00
	Bro. J. B.....	75 00
	Mrs. J. S.....	30 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.....	50 00
	Mrs. J. W. W.....	40 00
	Bro. G. W.....	50 00
	Bro. H. H.....	30 00
	Bro. G. A. F. C.....	40 00
	Mrs. J. C.....	40 00
	Mrs. J. R. R.....	25 00
	Mrs. H. R. S.....	30 00
	Bro. J. C.....	50 00
	Mrs. J. C.....	30 00
	Bro. S. C. D.....	75 00
	Miss M. C.....	30 00
	Mrs. J. C.....	40 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.....	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.....	30 00
	Bro. H. C. E. C.....	25 00
	Mrs. J. K. A.....	50 00
	Bro. H. A.....	50 00
	Bro. T. M.....	50 00
	Bro. J. N.....	50 00
	Bro. G. W. S.....	50 00
	Mrs. W. B.....	30 00
	Mrs. H. P.....	50 00
	Mrs. S. S.....	30 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.....	50 00
	Mrs. W. B.....	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.....	25 00
	Mrs. A. C.....	50 00

February

12	Mrs. J. A. R.....	30 00
	Children, Bro. V. .	50 00
	Bro. D. C.....	75 00
	Bro. J. B.....	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. G.....	50 00
	Mrs. A. B.....	50 00
	Mrs. G. F. H.....	30 00
	Bro. T. H. C.....	50 00
	Mrs. W. M. C.....	30 00
	Bro. D. F.....	50 00
	Mrs. C. W. S. S.....	50 00
	Bro. C. D. W.....	50 00

February

16	Mrs. H. D.....	25 00
19	Mrs. J. J. M.....	50 00
	Mrs. R. E.....	50 00
24	Bro. A. A.....	50 00

February

24	Bro. A. P. L.....	50 00
	Mrs. M. M.....	50 00

March

4	Miss A. V.....	40 00
5	Bro. J. M.....	60 00
	Mrs. J. W.....	30 00
11	Mrs. S. H. W.....	40 00
	Mrs. R. R. M.....	25 00
24	Mrs. H. F. F.....	75 00
29	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
	Miss M. W.....	75 00
	Miss M. H. H.....	18 75
	Mrs. J. M.....	30 00

May

31	Bro. A. B.....	50 00
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\$29,600 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province
of Ontario.

I herewith submit statement of the receipts and expenditures
of the Semi-Centennial Fund for the year ending May 31st, 1915.

RECEIPTS.

To balance at the credit of the account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce on 31st May, 1914.....	\$ 3,285 45	
Less outstanding cheques.....	2,005 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,280 45
Amount received from Grand Secretary during year ending 31st May, 1915.....	142 00	
Interest on Investments	4,811 57	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	83 50	
	<hr/>	5,037 07
		<hr/>
		6,317 52
Berlin Debentures Instalments.....	657 40	
Berlin Debentures Instalments.....	56 46	
East Toronto Instalment.....	571 84	
Oshawa Instalment.....	955 73	
Ottawa Debenture.....	2,000 00	
	<hr/>	4,241 43
		<hr/>
		<u>\$10,558 95</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Purchase of City of Windsor Deb- entures.....	\$ 2,430 70	
Purchase of Owen Sound Debs	1,950 60	
Accrued interest on Debs. purchased	42 22	
Benevolent Orders.....	5,145 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 9,568 52
Balance in Bank.....	\$ 1,550 43	
Less outstanding Cheques.....	560 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 990 43
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		<u>\$10,558 95</u>

All of which is fraternally submitted.

E. T. MALONE,

Grand Treasurer.

Correct, June 26th, 1915.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,

Auditor.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1915

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
DEBENTURES				
Berlin, City of.....	5	4½	\$ 1212 83	\$ 1161 94
Berlin, City of	5	4¾	5689 34	5620 21
Berlin, City of.....	5	4½	3088 38	3000 00
Brampton, Town of.....	6	6	1841 49	1841 49
Brandon, City of.....	5	4½	4170 00	4000 00
Calgary, City of.....	4½	4½	3980 00	4000 00
Durham, Town of.....	5	5½	1439 71	1528 43
Galt, Town of.....	4	5	1695 60	2000 00
Ingersoll, Town of.....	4	5	891 60	1000 00
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4¾	1019 60	1000 00
North Vancouver, Dist. of.....	4½	4¾	2880 60	3000 00
Oakville, Town of.....	5	4¾	4971 42	4787 92
Oshawa, Town of.....	4½	4½	4316 40	4316 40
Owen Sound, Town of.....	4½	5	940 10	1000 00
Owen Sound, Town of.....	5	4¼	2200 80	2000 00
Owen Sound, Town of.....	5	5.20	1950 60	2000 00
Peterborough, City of.....	3	4	1693 20	2000 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4	5	907 90	1000 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4¾	4½	1905 50	1850 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4½	4½	3854 72	3854 72
St. Catharines, City of.....	4	4¼	5141 74	5319 96
St. Mary's, Town of.....	4½	4.80	8658 63	9000 00
St. Thomas, City of.....	5	4¾	5053 50	5000 00
Saltfleet, Township of.....	5	4¾	4119 22	4000 00
Sault Ste. Marie, Town of.....	5	4¾	1862 64	1800 00
Seaforth, Town of.....	5	4¾	4105 56	4000 00
Shuniah, Municipality of.....	5	4¾	1015 90	1000 00
Strathroy, Town of.....	5	5¾	1459 73	1546 54
Walkerville, Town of.....	4½	4¾	3516 34	3581 16
Walkerville, Town of.....	4½	5½	599 88	639 13
Windsor, City of.....	4	4½	3867 97	4083 89
Windsor, City of.....	5	6	2430 70	2706 65
Woodstock, City of.....	4½	4.05	4240 00	4000 00
Toronto General Trusts Corp....	4¾	4¾	5000 00	5000 00
Hamilton Masonic Hall Assoc- iation Stock.....		6	100 00	100 00
			\$101821 60	\$102738 44
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1915.....			\$ 1550 43	
Less outstanding Cheques.....			560 00	
			\$	990 43
				\$103728 87

E. T. MALONE,

Correct, June 25th, 1915.

Grand Treasurer.

HARRY VIGEON, F. C. A.,

Auditor.

1913-1914

PAYMENTS BY THE GRAND TREASURER ON ACCOUNT
OF BENEVOLENCE SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

June, 1914

20 Bro. W. P.	\$50 00
Bro. R. T. A.	50 00
Bro. R. R. M.	50 00
Bro. F. J.	50 00
Bro. W. H. T.	40 00
Bro. W. H.	40 00

October

14 Mrs. S. R.	50 00
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November

6 Mrs. H. D.	25 00
12 Miss M. W.	50 00

December

26 Canada Lodge 3527 for Bro. N.B.C.	50 00
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February, 1915

1 Bro. T. K.	25 00
Mrs. J. J. M.	25 00
Mrs. J. C.	25 00
Mrs. C. W. M.	20 00
Bro. E. H. B.	50 00
Mrs. J. A.	25 00
Mrs. T. McC. L.	25 00
Mrs. W. J. S.	25 00
Mrs. P. G.	20 00
Mrs. F. A. G.	25 00
Bro. J. A. C.	50 00
Mrs. E. L.	20 00
Mrs. G. S.	10 00
Mrs. W. J. K.	50 00
Mrs. A. E. B.	40 00
Mrs. T. G.	25 00
Bro. J. J. P.	25 00
Bro. R. J. H.	25 00
Mrs. A. R. P.	20 00
Mrs. W. O. M.	25 00
Mrs. T. McK.	25 00
Mrs. C. H. N.	20 00
Mrs. A. V. F.	10 00
Bro. M. G. R.	25 00
Bro. H. E. C.	25 00
Mrs. C. F. S.	25 00
Bro. A. B.	25 00
Mrs. G. E. W.	25 00
Bro. S. A. B.	25 00
Orphans Bro. W. W. H. W.	10 00
Mrs. H. A.	25 00

February

1 Mrs. J. G. S.	25 00
Mrs. W. J. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. E. H.	20 00
Mrs. F. McM.	75 00
Bro. F. R.	25 00
Bro. J. K.	50 00
Bro. W. A. R.	50 00
Mrs. G. O. F.	25 00
Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
Mrs. J. W.	25 00
Mrs. J. F.	50 00
Mrs. J. R.	25 00
Mrs. T. E. T.	25 00
Mrs. J. P.	25 00
Mrs. R. A.	25 00
Mrs. A. B.	25 00
Mrs. W. H. L.	50 00
Mrs. A. A. M.	10 00
Mrs. J. B.	75 00
Mrs. J. W. W.	20 00
Mrs. J. H. B.	25 00
Mrs. W. B.	25 00
Mrs. W. A. K.	25 00
Miss M. W.	50 00
Mrs. A. C.	20 00
Mrs. J. W. P.	50 00
Bro. W. W.	100 00
Mrs. W. H. H.	30 00
12 Mrs. T. H. W.	10 00
Mrs. T. E. McD.	10 00
Mrs. J. B.	10 00
Mrs. T. H. H.	10 00
Miss E. K.	10 00
Mrs. W. F.	20 00
Bro. J. A. C.	25 00
Mrs. E. F.	10 00
Mrs. F. H. S.	10 00
Mrs. W. T. W.	10 00
Mrs. W. W. F.	20 00
Bro. H. C. P.	20 00
Mrs. T. G.	10 00
Bro. W. E. P.	25 00
Bro. F. W. W.	25 00
Mrs. A. S.	20 00
Mrs. R. C.	20 00
Mrs. W. D.	10 00
Mrs. J. F. S.	10 00

February

12	Mrs. D. H. C.....	20 00
	Mrs. G. A. C.....	20 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.....	20 00
	Mrs. J. A. R.....	20 00

March

6	Mrs. W. S. S.....	50 00
	Bro. G. B.....	50 00
	Mrs. T. L.....	50 00
19	Mrs. W. J. W.....	25 00

April

1	Bro. F. M.....	50 00
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March

27	Mrs. M. T.....	50 00
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April

10	Bro. J. G.....	50 00
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May

1	Bro. T. K.....	25 00
	Mrs. J. J. M.....	25 00
	Mrs. J. C.....	25 00
	Mrs. G. W. M.....	20 00
	Bro. E. H. B.....	50 00
	Mrs. J. A.....	25 00
	Mrs. T. McC. L.....	25 00
	Mrs. W. J. S.....	25 00
	Mrs. P. G.....	20 00
	Mrs. F. A. G.....	25 00
	Bro. J. A. C.....	50 00
	Mrs. E. L.....	20 00
	Mrs. G. S.....	10 00
	Bro. W. J. K.....	50 00
	Bro. A. E. B.....	40 00
	Mrs. T. G.....	25 00
	Bro. J. J. P.....	25 00
	Bro. R. J. H.....	25 00
	Mrs. A. M. P.....	20 00
	Mrs. W. O. M.....	25 00
	Mrs. T. McK.....	25 00
	Mrs. C. H. N.....	20 00
	Mrs. A. F. F.....	10 00
	Mrs. R. G. R.....	25 00
	Bro. H. E. C.....	25 00
	Mrs. C. F. S.....	25 00
	Mrs. G. E. W.....	25 00
	Mrs. S. A. B.....	25 00
	Orphans Bro. W.	
	H. W.....	10 00
	Mrs. H. A.....	25 00
	Mrs. W. J. C.....	25 00
	Mrs. J. E. H.....	20 00
	Mrs. F. Mc.....	75 00

May

1	Bro. F. R.....	25 00
	Bro. J. K.....	50 00
	Mrs. G. O. F.....	25 00
	Bro. J. E. R.....	75 00
	Mrs. J. W.....	25 00
	Mrs. J. F.....	50 00
	Mrs. J. R.....	25 00
	Mrs. T. E. T.....	25 00
	Mrs. J. P.....	25 00
	Bro. R. A.....	25 00
	Bro. A. B.....	25 00
	Bro. W. E. L.....	50 00
	Mrs. S. A. M.....	10 00
	Bro. J. B.....	75 00
	Mrs. J. W. W.....	20 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.....	25 00
	Mrs. W. B.....	25 00
	Miss M. W.....	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.....	20 00
	Mrs. T. H. W.....	10 00
	Mrs. T. E. M.....	10 00
	Mrs. J. B.....	10 00
	Mrs. T. W. H.....	10 00
	Miss E. M. K.....	10 00
	Mrs. W. F.....	20 00
	Mrs. J. A. C.....	25 00
	Mrs. E. F.....	10 00
	Mrs. C. F. E. S.....	10 00
	Mrs. W. T. W.....	10 00
	Mrs. W. F.....	20 00
	Bro. H. C. P.....	20 00
	Mrs. T. G.....	10 00
	Bro. W. E. P.....	25 00
	Bro. F. M. W.....	25 00
	Mrs. A. S.....	20 00
	Mrs. R. C.....	20 00
	Mrs. W. D.....	10 00
	Mrs. J. F. S.....	10 00
	Mrs. D. E. C.....	20 00
	Bro. G. A. F. C.....	20 00
	Mrs. G. M. L.....	20 00
	Mrs. J. A. R.....	20 00
	Bro. G. T.....	50 00
	Bro. J. P.....	50 00
	Bro. J. G. M.....	50 00
	Mrs. J. W. P.....	50 00
	Bro. J. H.....	50 00

 \$5,145 00

THE BELGIAN RELIEF FUND.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the special contributions of lodges to the Belgian Relief Fund, up to and inclusive of the 31st day of May, 1915.

RECEIPTS.

To amount received at various times from the	
Grand Secretary.....	\$42,058 10
To Bank Interest on Deposits.....	174 86
	<u>\$42,232 96</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

1914

Nov. 30—Printing 6,000 Circulars Grand Master's	
Address.....	\$ 45 50
Dec. 12—Purchase of draft for the King of the Belgians	12,500 00

1915

Feb. 1—Purchase of draft for the King of the Belgians...	18,500 00
May 5—Purchase of draft for the King of the Belgians..	9,000 00
	<u>\$40,045 50</u>
Balance at credit 31st May, 1915.....	2,187 46
	<u>\$42,232 96</u>

May 31st—Balance at credit carried forward \$2,187 46

Fraternally submitted.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Correct, June 26th, 1915.

HARRY VIGEON, F. C. A.,
Auditor.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I beg leave to present my annual report, containing an account of all moneys received by me, and paid to the Grand Treasurer, during the year ending 31st of May, 1915.

I have much pleasure in reporting that, in response to the appeal made to the lodges by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, on October 27th last, for the relief of the Belgians, contributions for that purpose amounting to upwards of \$45,000 have been received, and deposited to the credit of the Grand Treasurer in a special account. I would suggest, subject to the approval of Grand Lodge, that a list of the contributions received up to the close of this Annual Communication be published in the Proceedings.

I beg also to report that the sum of \$100.00 was received on March 11th, 1915, from Great Western Lodge, No. 47, Windsor, as a first contribution towards a proposed scheme to establish a Masonic Home for members of the Craft. This sum has been deposited in the Canadian Bank of Commerce in a special account, subject to the action of Grand Lodge.

The equipment for the Card Index system of registration, authorized by Grand Lodge, has been installed in the Grand Secretary's office. Good progress has been made in the clerical work which its compilation involves, every precaution being taken to ensure accuracy.

The following statements are herewith submitted, viz.:

A Summary of receipts from various sources on General Account; Details of Receipts on General Account and Ledger Balances as at the 31st May, 1915; Details of Payments to the Grand Treasurer; a Summary of Expenditure; Details of the Returns of Lodges as at the 24th June, 1915; a Summary of the Receipts, and Payments to the Grand Treasurer on account of the Semi-Centennial Fund; a Statement of the amount contributed to the Semi-Centennial Fund on Capital Account; and a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements on the Semi-Centennial Fund Revenue Account. Also a record of dispensations issued and by-laws and amendments thereto approved by the M. W. the Grand Master.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

Year Ended May 31st, 1915.

Fees, registration of Initiations.....	\$11,235 00
Fees, registration of Affiliations.....	408 00
Dues.....	27,081 75
Certificates.....	119 00
Constitutions and Ceremonies.....	968 31
Dispensations.....	554 00
Commutation of Dues.....	900 00
Warrants.....	140 00
Miscellaneous.....	685 86
Ballot Boxes.....	31 40
Unused Cheque refunded.....	24 49
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	\$42,147 81

Interest on Debentures and Bank Account:

Landed Banking and Loan Company.....	\$450 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	508 74
Town of Berlin.....	204 64
Town of Berlin.....	276 15
Town of Brampton.....	117 86
City of Brandon.....	600 00
City of Brantford.....	320 00
Town of Brockville.....	308 03
City of Hamilton.....	120 00
Town of Kincardine	25 00
City of New Westminster.....	500 00
County of Oxford.....	75 48
City of Peterborough.....	230 46
City of Port Arthur	50 00
City of St. Thomas.....	753 51
City of Stratford.....	45 00
City of Strathcona.....	225 82
City of Toronto.....	170 32
Bank Account.....	104 25
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	5,085 26
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Total Revenue, General Account.....	\$47,233 07

Debentures Matured and Paid:

Town of Berlin.....	\$740 65
Town of Brockville.....	427 79
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	1,168 44
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	\$48,401 51

Correct,

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,
Auditor.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

PAYMENTS TO THE GRAND TREASURER.

Deposited in the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

1914		1914	
June 8.....	\$ 735 05	Dec. 29.....	\$ 893 95
“ 19.....	568 75	“ 31.....	2,145 28
“ 26.....	3,386 25	1915	
“ 29.....	2,402 75	Jan. 5.....	2,633 66
“ 30.....	1,432 43	“ 9.....	2,235 70
July 4.....	3,387 41	“ 12.....	1,434 55
“ 7.....	2,234 20	“ 16.....	1,686 86
“ 9.....	2,306 95	“ 22.....	1,409 40
“ 21.....	3,585 25	“ 30.....	1,267 95
“ 31.....	977 31	Feb. 9.....	1,402 00
Aug. 24.....	800 00	“ 16.....	1,382 65
“ 31.....	513 50	“ 27.....	795 85
Sept. 14.....	1,425 48	Mar. 15.....	1,180 04
“ 30.....	381 55	“ 31.....	308 11
Oct. 27.....	646 61	Apr. 1.....	703 71
“ 31.....	23 80	“ 12.....	440 00
Nov. 19.....	428 80	“ 30.....	516 50
“ 30.....	1,032 39	May 13.....	595 00
“ 30.....	87 45	“ 31.....	304 80
Dec. 18.....	692 77	“ 31.....	16 80
			<u>\$48,401 51</u>

Correct,

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,
Auditor.

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Year Ended May 31st, 1915.

E. T. Malone, Grand Treasurer, salary to March 31st, 1915.....	\$ 200 00
R. L. Gunn, Grand Secretary, salary to March 31st, 1915.....	3,000 00
H. Vigeon, Auditor, salary to March 31st, 1915.....	300 00
J. P. Muir, superannuation to May 31st, 1915.....	800 00
Thomas Pedler, Clerk, salary to May 31st, 1915.....	1,100 00
J. Place, Stenographer, salary to May 31st, 1915.....	1,000 00
A. E. Mason, Clerk, salary to May 31st, 1915.....	660 00
F. J. Brown, Clerk, salary to May 31st, 1915.....	660 00
Incidental Expenses, Grand Secretary's office.....	933 80
Printing and Stationery.....	3,328 16
Certificates and Warrants.....	2,363 72
Telephone Service.....	64 53
Insurance on furniture, books, regalia and premium on bond of Grand Secretary.....	93 50
Safety Deposit Box Rental, Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	40 00
Office Rent, Hamilton Masonic Hall Association.....	595 00
Office Heating.....	117 75
Office Furniture and Repairs.....	244 00
Postage on Proceedings.....	213 00
Postage of D. G. M. and chairmen of committees.....	40 00
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes at Niagara Falls.....	3,526 14
Expenses of "Peace Celebration" at Niagara Falls.....	2,296 39
Expenses of Provincial Lodge of Instruction at Toronto....	253 85
Expenses of Delegations and Ceremonies.....	33 50
Masonic Relief Association, membership fee.....	284 93
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1,000 00
Extra Expenses re triennial inspection.....	200 00
A. T. Freed, Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.....	250 00
Allowance to M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Grand Master, for Expenses.....	1,000 00
Stenographer for Grand Master.....	100 00
Memorial Tributes.....	50 00
Ballot Boxes.....	270 00
Memorial Monument to R. W. Bro. Z. M. Phillips.....	195 00
Interest on Overdraft, bank account.....	91 30
Total General Charges.....	\$25,304 57
Grants for Benevolence.....	29,600 00
	<u>\$54,904 57</u>

Correct,

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.
Auditor.

Details of Receipts on General Account and Ledger Balances, Year ending May 31st, 1915

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Amt.	Balance	
				Dr.	Cr.
2	Niagara.....	Niagara.....	\$ 64 50	....	....
3	Ancient St. John's.....	Kingston.....	163 75	1 00	....
5	Sussex.....	Brockville.....	186 50	1 20	....
6	Barton.....	Hamilton.....	192 95	....	....
7	Union.....	Grimsby.....	160 10	25	....
9	Union.....	Napanee.....	116 25	....	....
10	Norfolk.....	Simcoe.....	101 25	....	....
11	Moir.....	Belleville.....	174 25	....	75
14	True Britons.....	Perth.....	1 00	81 50	....
15	St. George's.....	St. Catharines..	120 00	25	....
16	St. Andrew's.....	Toronto.....	214 25	....	....
17	St. John's.....	Cobourg.....	117 00	1 00	....
18	Prince Edward.....	Picton.....	130 25	....	....
20	St. John's.....	London.....	209 00	9 00	....
21a	St. John's.....	Vankleek Hill...	20 00	16 75	....
22	King Solomon's.....	Toronto.....	236 25	3 50	....
23	Richmond.....	Richmond Hill..	41 50	....	....
24	St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls....	139 25	....	....
25	Ionic.....	Toronto.....	176 50	25	....
26	Ontario.....	Port Hope.....	86 00	....	....
27	Strict Observance.....	Hamilton.....	235 00	....	....
28	Mount Zion.....	Kemptville.....	53 00	....	....
29	United.....	Brighton.....	77 75	3 00	....
30	Composite.....	Whitby.....	60 50	....	....
31	Jerusalem.....	Bowmanville.....	130 25	1 50	....
32	Amity.....	Dunnville.....	57 25	25	....
33	Maitland.....	Goderich.....	134 70	1 00	....
34	Thistle.....	Amherstburg.....	91 25	1 00	....
35	St. John's.....	Cayuga.....	59 75	....	....
37	King Hiram.....	Ingersoll.....	89 75	....	....
38	Trent.....	Trenton.....	107 25	....	....
39	Mount Zion.....	Brooklin.....	18 50	....	....
40	St. John's.....	Hamilton.....	360 25	25	....
41	St. George's.....	Kingsville.....	136 25	6 50	....
42	St. George's.....	London.....	153 00	....	....
43	King Solomon's.....	Woodstock.....	200 50	....	....
44	St. Thomas.....	St. Thomas.....	253 75	1 75	....
45	Brant.....	Brantford.....	206 85	4 00	....
46	Wellington.....	Chatham.....	195 00	6 00	....
47	Great Western.....	Windsor.....	436 00	8 00	....
48	Madoc.....	Madoc.....	41 25	....	2 00
50	Consecon.....	Consecon.....	53 50	25	....
52	Dalhousie.....	Ottawa.....	243 15	....	....
54	Vaughan.....	Maple.....	26 50	....	....
55	Merrickville.....	Merrickville.....	65 50	....	....
56	Victoria.....	Sarnia.....	140 00	3 00	....
57	Harmony.....	Binbrook.....	95 50	....	....
58	Doric.....	Ottawa.....	163 75	6 00	....
61	Acacia.....	Hamilton.....	377 25	....	....
62	St. Andrew's.....	Caledonia.....	67 10	....	....

63	St. John's.....	Carleton Place..\$	152 25	25	....
64	Kilwinning.....	London.....	173 00	....	....
65	Rehoboam.....	Toronto.....	294 00	3 00	....
66	Durham.....	Newcastle.....	13 75	....	....
68	St. John's.....	Ingersoll.....	70 50	1 00	....
69	Stirling.....	Stirling.....	72 75	....	....
72	Alma.....	Galt.....	97 75	....	....
73	St. James'.....	St. Marys.....	131 50	....	....
74	St. James'.....	South Augusta..	42 50	....	1 50
75	St. John's.....	Toronto.....	167 25	....	....
76	Oxford.....	Woodstock.....	167 75	....	....
77	Faithful Brethren.....	Lindsay.....	174 75	....	....
78	King Hiram.....	Tillsonburg.....	124 75	....	....
79	Simcoe.....	Bradford.....	67 75	25	....
81	St. John's.....	Mount Brydges	43 75	....	....
82	St. John's.....	Paris.....	65 25	....	....
83	Beaver.....	Strathroy.....	86 00	....	....
84	Clinton.....	Clinton.....	63 50	4 20	....
85	Rising Sun.....	Athens.....	45 75	1 00	....
86	Wilson.....	Toronto.....	259 00	1 25	....
87	Markham Union.....	Markham.....	63 75	1 50	....
88	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	142 25	25	....
90	Manito.....	Collingwood.....	40 00	....	....
91	Colborne.....	Colborne.....	40 00	25	....
92	Cataraqui.....	Kingston.....	201 50	....	....
93	Northern Light.....	Kincardine.....	86 00	....	....
94	St. Mark's.....	Port Stanley ...	64 75	1 50	....
96	Corinthian.....	Barrie.....	125 00	1 00	....
97	Sharon.....	Queensville.....	54 00	....	25
98	True Blue.....	Bolton.....	16 00	....	....
99	Tuscan.....	Newmarket.....	54 75	....	8 25
100	Valley.....	Dundas.....	109 75	....	....
101	Corinthian.....	Peterborough...	109 25	1 00	....
103	Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines..	153 55	....	....
104	St. John's.....	Norwich.....	58 50	....	....
105	St. Mark's.....	Niagara Falls...	130 25	1 00	....
106	Burford.....	Burford.....	70 50	....	....
107	St. Paul's.....	Lambeth.....	58 25	....	....
108	Blenheim.....	Princeton.....	39 75	4 25	....
109	Albion.....	Harrowsmith...	67 00	....	....
110	Central.....	Prescott.....	70 50	....	....
113	Wilson.....	Waterford.....	108 50	3 00	....
114	Hope.....	Port Hope.....	103 75	25	....
115	Ivy.....	Beamsville.....	94 00	....	....
116	Cassia.....	Thedford.....	27 50	25	....
118	Union.....	Schomberg.....	33 50	....	....
119	Maple Leaf.....	Bath.....	56 25	1 00	....
120	Warren.....	Fingal.....	26 00	....	....
121	Doric.....	Brantford.....	307 25	2 70	....
122	Renfrew.....	Renfrew.....	77 00	....	....
123	Belleville.....	Belleville.....	152 75	....	....
125	Cornwall.....	Cornwall.....	82 00	....	....
126	Golden Rule.....	Campbellford...	102 50	....	....
127	Franck.....	Frankford.....	76 60	1 00	....
128	Pembroke.....	Pembroke.....	95 75	1 00	....
129	Rising Sun.....	Aurora.....	49 75	1 50	....

131	St. Lawrence	Southampton	\$ 61 50	
133	Lebanon Forest	Exeter	68 50	
135	St. Clair	Milton	82 75	
136	Richardson	Stouffville	43 00	
137	Pythagoras	Meaford	78 50	1 00
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	106 25	
140	Malahide	Aylmer	82 50	6 00
141	Tudor	Mitchell	47 00	3 25
142	Excelsior	Morrisburg	40 50	1 00
143	Friendly Brothers	Iroquis	61 75	
144	Tecumseh	Stratford	160 25	2 50
145	J. B. Hall	Millbrook	61 75	
146	Prince of Wales	Newburgh	70 55	
147	Mississippi	Almonte	86 00	
148	Civil Service	Ottawa	192 50	
149	Erie	Port Dover	61 25	
151	Grand River	Berlin	138 50	
153	Burns	Wyoming	71 50	25
154	Irving	Lucan	78 25	
155	Peterborough	Peterborough	138 75	
156	York	Toronto	141 75	3 00
157	Simpson	Newboro	51 50	
158	Alexandra	Oil Springs	3 00	47 00
159	Goodwood	Richmond	64 25	
161	Percy	Warkworth	55 25	
162	Forest	Wroxeter	21 00	1 00
164	Star in the East	Wellington	80 75	
165	Burlington	Burlington	85 50	
166	Wentworth	Stoney Creek	73 25	
168	Merritt	Welland	105 75	
169	Macnab	Port Colborne	78 00	70
170	Britannia	Seaforth	92 75	
171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence St'n	35 00	1 00
172	Ayr	Ayr	37 50	
174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	70 75	
177	The Builders	Ottawa	117 50	81 50
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	30 25	
180	Speed	Guelph	145 25	
181	Oriental	Port Burwell	28 25	
184	Old Light	Lucknow	59 50	3 00
185	Enniskillen	York	32 75	25
186	Plantagenet	Riceville	61 25	80
190	Belmont	Belmont	44 00	1 00
192	Orillia	Orillia	186 75	6 45
193	Scotland	Scotland	50 50	2 00
194	Petrolia	Petrolia	124 75	
195	Tuscan	London	84 00	
196	Madawaska	Arnprior	61 50	
197	Saugeen	Walkerton	46 50	3 25
200	St. Alban's	Mount Forest	48 00	
201	Leeds	Gananoque	140 45	1 00
203	Irvine	Elora	48 00	50
205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	19 75	
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	82 50	1 00
209a	St. John's	London	276 00	1 25
209	Evergreen	Lanark	31 00	

212	Elysian.....	Garden Island ..	\$ 4 25	....	....
215	Lake.....	Ameliasburg.....	47 75	....	....
216	Harris.....	Orangeville.....	113 50	....	7 00
217	Frederick.....	Delhi.....	1 00	45 00	....
218	Stevenson.....	Toronto.....	226 75	....	....
219	Credit.....	Georgetown.....	77 00	2 50	....
220	Zeredatha.....	Uxbridge.....	67 25	....	....
221	Mountain.....	Thorold.....	115 00	....	....
222	Marmora.....	Marmora.....	60 75	....	....
223	Norwood.....	Norwood.....	56 25	1 25	....
224	Zurich.....	Hensall.....	53 75	....	9 50
225	Bernard.....	Listowel.....	81 25	....	....
228	Prince Arthur.....	Odessa.....	64 75	1 00	....
229	Ionic.....	Brampton.....	99 25	3 00	....
230	Kerr.....	Barrie.....	97 00	3 00	....
231	Fidelity.....	Ottawa.....	182 50	3 00	....
232	Cameron.....	Dutton.....	68 25	3 00	....
233	Doric.....	Parkhill.....	43 50	....	....
234	Beaver.....	Clarksburg.....	54 00	....	....
235	Aldworth.....	Paisley.....	66 00	....	....
236	Manitoba.....	Cookstown.....	45 75	3 00	....
237	Vienna.....	Vienna.....	51 50	....	....
238	Havelock.....	Watford.....	71 30	....	....
239	Tweed.....	Tweed.....	82 80	....	....
242	Macoy.....	Mallorytown.....	55 25	1 00	....
243	St. George.....	St. George.....	48 00	1 00	....
245	Tecumseh.....	Thamesville.....	47 00	....	....
247	Ashlar.....	Toronto.....	246 50	....	....
249	Caledonian.....	Midland.....	124 50	1 00	....
250	Thistle.....	Embro.....	48 00	....	....
253	Minden.....	Kingston.....	115 75	....	....
254	Clifton.....	Niagara Falls.....	198 25	....	....
255	Sydenham.....	Dresden.....	70 00	....	....
256	Farran's Point.....	Aultsville.....	65 00	....	....
257	Galt.....	Galt.....	118 00	....	....
258	Guelph.....	Guelph.....	125 75	10 00	....
259	Springfield.....	Springfield.....	81 25	....	....
260	Washington.....	Petrolia.....	99 45	1 00	....
261	Oak Branch.....	Innerkip.....	25 75	....	75
262	Harriston.....	Harriston.....	85 75	....	....
263	Forest.....	Forest.....	71 00	....	....
264	Chaudiere.....	Ottawa.....	190 25	25	....
265	Paterson.....	Thornhill.....	34 50	3 00	....
266	Northern Light.....	Stayner.....	28 50	25	....
267	Parthenon.....	Chatham.....	221 00	3 00	....
268	Verulam.....	Bobcaygeon.....	48 25	....	25
269	Brougham Union.....	Claremont.....	24 25	18 50	....
270	Cedar.....	Oshawa.....	99 75	1 50	....
271	Wellington.....	Erin.....	67 00	....	....
272	Seymour.....	Ancaster.....	110 10	....	....
274	Kent.....	Blenheim.....	89 25	....	....
276	Teeswater.....	Teeswater.....	40 36	....	....
277	Seymour.....	Port Dalhousie..	49 00	....	....
279	New Hope.....	Hespeler.....	54 25	30	....
282	Lorne.....	Glencoe.....	60 25	....	....

283	Eureka.....	Belleville.....	\$ 87 50	1 50	
284	St. John's	Brussels.....	38 50	26 50	
285	Seven Star.....	Alliston.....	48 50		1 75
286	Wingham.....	Wingham.....	58 25	25	
287	Shuniah.....	Port Arthur.....	241 25		
289	Doric.....	Lobo.....	53 25		
290	Leamington	Leamington.....	94 00	1 75	
291	Dufferin.....	West Flamboro	70 00	2 50	
292	Robertson.....	King.....	20 25		1 00
294	Moore.....	Courtright.....	44 00		
295	Conestogo.....	Drayton	69 50		
296	Temple.....	St. Catharines ..	113 50		
297	Preston.....	Preston.....	79 50	3 00	
299	Victoria.....	Centreville.....	39 00		
300	Mount Olivet.....	Thorndale.....	35 50	1 50	
302	St. David's.....	St. Thomas.....	203 25	25	
303	Blyth.....	Blyth.....	68 25		
304	Minerva.....	Stroud.....	67 75		
305	Humber.....	Weston.....	81 50		
306	Durham.....	Durham.....	35 25		
307	Arkona.....	Arkona.....	28 75		
309	Morning Star.....	Carlow.....	41 75		
311	Blackwood.....	Woodbridge.....	45 75		25
312	Pnyx.....	Wallaceburg.....	84 00		
313	Clementi.....	Lakefield.....	73 00		
314	Blair.....	Palmerston.....	94 75	3 00	
315	Clifford.....	Clifford.....	38 50	1 00	
316	Doric.....	Toronto.....	249 25	1 00	
318	Wilmot.....	Baden.....	21 00		
319	Hiram.....	Hagersville.....	58 00		
320	Chesterville.....	Chesterville.....	63 75		
321	Walker.....	Acton.....	59 75	6 00	
322	North Star.....	Owen Sound.....	120 00		
323	Alvinston.....	Alvinston.....	63 50		
324	Temple.....	Hamilton.....	245 00	1 50	
325	Orono.....	Orono.....	27 50		
326	Zetland.....	Toronto.....	267 35	1 00	
327	Hammond.....	Wardsville.....	19 50		
328	Ionic.....	Napier.....	50 25		3 65
329	King Solomon.....	Jarvis.....	43 75		
330	Corinthian.....	London.....	171 25		
331	Fordwich.....	Fordwich.....	31 00		3 00
332	Stratford.....	Stratford.....	170 85	49 00	
333	Prince Arthur.....	Flesherton.....	60 75		
334	Prince Arthur.....	Arthur.....	30 00		
336	Highgate.....	Highgate.....	91 50	3 00	
337	Myrtle.....	Port Robinson ..	41 00		3 00
338	Dufferin.....	Wellandport.....	50 00	26 75	
339	Orient.....	Toronto.....	242 50		25
341	Bruce.....	Tiverton.....	107 20		
343	Georgina.....	Toronto.....	248 00	6 00	
344	Merrill.....	Dorchester St'n	43 75		
345	Nilestown.....	Nilestown.....	40 50		
346	Occident.....	Toronto.....	230 50		
347	Mercer.....	Fergus.....	58 75		25

348	Georgian.....	Penetanguishene	\$ 56 75	....	3 25
352	Granite.....	Parry Sound.....	112 00	....	....
354	Brock.....	Cannington.....	31 50	....	....
356	River Park.....	Streetsville.....	91 50	....	50
357	Waterdown.....	Millgrove.....	80 50	2 00	....
358	Delaware Valley.....	Delaware.....	118 00	23 50	....
359	Vittoria.....	Vittoria.....	36 50	....	....
360	Muskoka.....	Bracebridge.....	51 75	....	....
361	Waverley.....	Guelph.....	206 25	....	....
362	Maple Leaf.....	Tara.....	37 25	....	....
364	Dufferin.....	Melbourne.....	46 25	....	....
367	St. George.....	Toronto.....	252 25	....	....
368	Salem.....	Brockville.....	142 50	....	1 00
369	Mimico.....	Lambton Mills..	108 50	7 00	....
370	Harmony.....	Delta.....	51 75	2 25	....
371	Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa.....	164 50	6 00	....
372	Palmer.....	Bridgeburg.....	69 00	....	....
373	Copestone.....	Welland.....	91 50	....	....
374	Keene.....	Keene.....	36 50	....	25
375	Lorne.....	Omeme.....	28 75	38 00	....
376	Unity.....	Huntsville.....	77 00	3 00	....
377	Lorne.....	Shelbourne.....	56 50	....	3 25
378	King Solomon's.....	London.....	185 25	1 00	....
379	Middlesex.....	Bryanston.....	32 75	....	....
380	Union.....	London.....	250 00	3 00	....
382	Doric.....	Hamilton.....	255 75	....	....
383	Henderson.....	Winchester.....	55 00	....	2 50
384	Alpha.....	Toronto.....	354 00	....	....
385	Spry.....	Beeton.....	42 75	....	....
386	McColl.....	West Lorne.....	67 75	....	....
387	Lansdowne.....	Lansdowne.....	31 25	95	....
388	Henderson.....	Ilderton.....	28 50	....	25
389	Crystal Fountain.....	North Augusta..	40 75	....	....
390	Florence.....	Florence.....	40 25	....	....
391	Howard.....	Ridgetown.....	102 75	....	....
392	Huron.....	Camlachie.....	50 50	....	....
393	Forest.....	Chesley.....	36 25	....	....
394	King Solomon.....	Thamesford.....	49 50	....	....
395	Parvaim.....	Comber.....	38 00	....	....
396	Cedar.....	Warton.....	78 50	3 00	....
397	Leopold.....	Brigden.....	58 25	....	4 50
398	Victoria.....	Kirkfield.....	36 75	....	....
399	Moffatt.....	Harrietsville.....	28 00	....	....
400	Oakville.....	Oakville.....	111 15	....	....
401	Craig.....	Deseronto.....	72 75	....	....
402	Central.....	Essex.....	68 25	....	....
403	Windsor.....	Windsor.....	259 50	1 00	....
404	Lorne.....	Tamsworth.....	47 50	45	....
405	Mattawa.....	Mattawa.....	76 75	1 25	....
406	Spry.....	Fenelon Falls...	40 75	....	....
408	Murray.....	Beaverton.....	75 50	....	1 00
409	Golden Rule.....	Gravenhurst.....	73 00	....	....
410	Zeta.....	Toronto.....	211 00	3 00	....
411	Rodney.....	Rodney.....	10 10	2 25	....
412	Keystone.....	Sault Ste. Marie	232 85	7 50	....

413	Naphtali	Tilbury	\$ 88 00	25	...
414	Pequonga	Kenora	132 75	...	...
415	Fort William	Fort William	234 50	...	...
416	Lyn	Lyn	49 25	...	...
417	Keewatin	Keewatin	57 25	...	...
418	Maxville	Maxville	65 75	...	...
419	Bismarck	Sarnia	57 25	...	...
420	Nipissing	North Bay	132 25	50	...
421	Scott	Grand Valley	57 50	...	...
422	Star of the East	Bothwell	49 75	...	...
423	Strong	Sundridge	50 00	...	...
424	Doric	Pickering	38 25	...	...
425	St. Clair	Sombra	65 50	...	50
426	Stanley	Toronto	213 25	1 00	...
427	Nickel	Sudbury	162 50	6 00	...
428	Fidelity	Port Perry	103 75	...	...
429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin	34 50	...	...
430	Acacia	Toronto	164 00	3 25	...
431	Moravian	Cargill	37 75	...	...
432	Hanover	Hanover	44 75	1 50	...
433	Bonnechere	Eganville	50 50	...	1 00
434	Algonquin	Emsdale	78 75	...	...
435	Havelock	Havelock	80 50	3 00	...
436	Burns	Hepworth	37 25	...	3 00
437	Tuscan	Sarnia	175 50	3 00	...
438	Harmony	Toronto	287 61	9 25	...
439	Alexandria	Alexandria	42 35	...	...
440	Arcadia	Minden	35 00	...	25
441	Westport	Westport	52 75	1 10	...
442	Dymont	Thessalon	109 25	4 90	...
443	Powassan	Powassan	75 75	1 00	...
444	Nitetic	Creemore	51 00	7 25	...
445	Lake of the Woods	Kenora	38 25	...	...
446	Granite	Fort Frances	74 50	...	8 75
447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	82 50	1 75	...
448	Xenophon	Wheatley	28 25	...	...
449	Dundalk	Dundalk	33 00	...	...
450	Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury	37 40	...	...
451	Somerville	Kinmount	46 75	...	...
452	Avonmore	Avonmore	90 15	...	...
453	Royal	Fort William	116 50	...	...
454	Corona	Burk's Falls	46 75	...	...
455	Doric	Little Current	57 50	...	...
456	Elma	Monkton	31 00	...	...
457	Century	Merlin	132 75	3 00	...
458	Wales	Wales	61 50	...	...
459	Cobden	Cobden	57 10	...	2 00
460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	62 00	...	9 00
461	Ionic	Rainy River	64 25	...	...
462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard	139 75	...	25
463	North Entrance	Haliburton	40 50	1 75	...
464	King Edward	Sunderland	34 50	...	...
465	Carleton	Carp	32 75	...	...
466	Coronation	Elmvale	56 10	2 50	...
467	Tottenham	Tottenham	164 50	1 50	...

468	Peel.....	Caledon East....	\$	57	25	....	....
469	Algoma.....	Sault Ste. Marie		157	75	....	....
470	Victoria.....	Victoria Harbor		116	50	....	....
471	King Edward VII.....	Chippawa.....		35	50	....	....
472	Gore Bay.....	Gore Bay.....		56	00	1 00	....
473	The Beaches.....	Toronto.....		143	75	3 00	....
474	Victoria.....	Toronto.....		170	25	3 00	....
475	Dundurn.....	Hamilton.....		200	00	1 00	....
476	Corinthian.....	North Gower....		54	25	1 50	....
477	Harding.....	Woodville.....		44	25	3 00	....
478	Milverton.....	Milverton.....		44	00	....	3 00
479	Russell.....	Russell.....		65	50	....	....
480	Williamsburg.....	Williamsburg....		29	75	....	....
481	Corinthian.....	Toronto.....		104	25	1 50	....
482	Bancroft.....	Bancroft.....		104	25	1 00	....
483	Granton.....	Granton.....		40	50	....	....
484	Golden Star.....	Dryden.....		49	75	....	....
485	Haileybury.....	Haileybury.....		128	25	9 00	....
486	Silver.....	Cobalt.....		170	00	5 00	....
487	Penewobikong.....	Blind River.....		40	50	....	....
488	King Edward.....	Harrow.....		78	50	4 00	....
489	Osiris.....	Smith's Falls....		60	90	....	....
490	Hiram.....	Markdale.....		28	00	....	....
491	Cardinal.....	Cardinal.....		43	50	....	....
492	Karnak.....	Coldwater.....		50	00	....	....
493	St. Marys.....	St. Marys.....		63	25	....	....
494	Riverdale.....	Toronto.....		154	25	....	....
495	Electric.....	Hamilton.....		187	75	1 50	....
496	University.....	Toronto.....		104	25	3 00	....
497	St. Andrew's.....	Arden.....		46	75	....	....
498	King George V.....	Coboconk.....		32	25	1 00	....
499	Port Arthur.....	Port Arthur.....		119	75	4 00	....
500	Rose.....	Windsor.....		67	50	4 00	....
501	Connaught.....	Mimico.....		57	10	3 00	....
502	Coronation.....	Smithville.....		34	50	....	....
503	Inwood.....	Inwood.....		40	50	1 00	....
504	Otter.....	Lombardy.....		29	75	....	....
505	Lynden.....	Lynden.....		35	50	....	....
506	Porcupine.....	Porcupine.....		174	45	....	2 75
507	Elk Lake.....	Elk Lake.....		76	75	....	....
508	Ozias.....	Brantford.....		34	25	3 00	....
509	Twin City.....	Berlin.....		81	75	....	....
510	Parkdale.....	Toronto.....		95	50	....	....
511	Connaught.....	W. Fort William		67	00	11 00	....
512	Malone.....	Sutton.....		78	40	....	50
513	Corinthian.....	Hamilton.....		137	45	4 00	....
514	St. Alban's.....	Toronto.....		186	95	....	....
515	Reba.....	Brantford.....		132	45	....	....
516	Enterprise.....	Beachburg.....		52	30	2 05	....
517	Hazeldean.....	Hazeldean.....		69	10	....	....
518	Sioux Lookout.....	Sioux Lookout..		128	90	5 75	....
519	Onondaga.....	Onondaga.....		84	85	40	....
520	Coronati.....	Toronto.....		569	05	....	....
521	Ontario.....	Windsor.....		223	15	....	50
522	Mount Sinai.....	Toronto.....		112	50	....	....

U.D. Royal Arthur.....	Peterborough....	\$	49	05	....	....
U.D. Mississauga.....	Port Credit.....		3	00	20	00
U.D. Temple.....	Toronto.....		63	25	....	....
U.D. Ionic.....	Westboro.....		21	00	....	11 60
U.D. Espanola.....	Espanola.....		20	00	5	60
U.D. Golden Beaver.....	Timmins.....		20	00	11	60
U.D. Myra.....	Komoka.....		....	20	00	....

Total receipts from Lodges.....\$41,380 57

Sundries.....767 24

Interest.....5085 26

Debentures redeemed1168 44

\$48,401 51

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

Summary of Receipts on Capital Account.

Year Ended May 31st, 1915.

Contributions from Lodges, per detailed statement.....	\$ 117 00
Debentures Matured, Town of Berlin.....	713 86
Debentures Matured, Town of East Toronto.....	571 84
Debenture Matured, City of Ottawa.....	2000 00
Debenture Matured, Town of Oshawa.....	955 73
	<u>\$ 4,358 43</u>

Summary of Receipts on Revenue Account.

Interest on Investments and Bank Account, per detailed statement.....	\$ 4,895 07	
Cheque No. 670 refunded.....	25 00	
	<u>4,920 07</u>	
		<u>\$ 9,278 50</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

PAYMENTS TO GRAND TREASURER.

Deposited in the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

1914			1915		
June 8.....	\$	798 47	Jan. 5.....	\$	320 50
" 30.....		305 67	" 30.....		25 00
July 6.....		362 50	Mar. 31.....		173 34
" 31.....		6 00	Apr. 30.....		241 00
Aug. 24.....		1,052 97	May 1.....		2,884 82
Oct. 31.....		159 50	" 31.....		156 40
Nov. 30.....		426 28	" 31.....		40 26
" 30.....		43 24			
Dec. 5.....		1,737 97			
" 31.....		544 58			
					<u>\$9,278 50</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

Abstract of Receipts from Contributors to the Capital Account,
for the Year Ended 31st May, 1915.

No.	Lodge	Location	Amount
77	Faithful Brethren.....	Lindsay.....	\$ 12 00
79	Simcoe.....	Bradford.....	45 00
245	Tecumseh.....	Thamesville.....	3 00
368	Salem.....	Brockville.....	1 00
389	Crystal Fountain.....	North Augusta.....	9 00
419	Bismarck.....	Sarnia.....	6 00
425	St. Clair.....	Sombra.....	17 00
467	Tottenham.....	Tottenham.....	24 00
			<u>\$117 00</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

Revenue Account Year Ended May 31st, 1915.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at Credit, May 31st, 1914	\$ 1179 56
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Interest on Investments:

Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	\$	231	25
Berlin, Town of, Debentures.....		524	81
Brampton, Town of, Debentures.....		110	50
Brandon, City of, Debentures.....		200	00
Calgary, City of, Debentures.....		180	00
Durham, Town of, Debentures.....		76	42
East Toronto, Town of, Debentures.....		28	59
Galt, Town of, Debentures.....		80	00
Ingersoll, Town of, Debentures.....		40	00
Kincardine, Town of, Debentures.....		50	00
North Vancouver, District of, Debentures....		135	00
Oakville, Town of, Debentures.....		239	37
Oshawa, Town of, Debentures.....		237	24
Ottawa, City of, Debentures.....		80	00
Owen Sound, Town of, Debentures.....		145	00
Peterborough, City of Debentures.....		361	34
St. Catharines, City of, Debentures.....		212	80
St. Marys, Town of, Debentures.....		405	00
St. Thomas, City of, Debentures.....		250	00
Saltfleet, Township of, Debentures.....		200	00
Sault Ste Marie, Town of, Debentures.....		90	00
Seaforth, Town of, Debentures.....		200	00
Shuniah, Municipality of, Debentures.....		50	00
Strathroy, Town of, Debentures.....		77	32
Walkerville, Town of, Debentures		189	91
Windsor, City of, Debentures.....		231	02
Woodstock, City of, Debentures.....		180	00
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association Dividend		6	00
Canadian Bank of Commerce, interest.....		83	50

Proceeds Cheque No. 670, refunded	25 00
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\$ 6,099 63

DISBURSEMENTS.

Accrued interest on Debentures at date of purchase:

Owen Sound, Town of.....	\$ 16 65	
Windsor, City of.....	25 57	
Grants for Benevolence.....	5145 00	
Balance at credit, 31st May, 1915.....	912 41	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,099 63

R. Gump

Grand Secretary.

Hamilton, June 25th, 1915.

I certify that the foregoing is a correct abstract, from the books of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Grand Lodge for the year ending May 31st, 1915.

HARRY VIGEON, F. C. A., Auditor.

BELGIAN RELIEF FUND.

Statement of Contributions received by Grand Secretary to July 31st, 1915.

No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
ERIE DISTRICT No. 1.				
34	Thistle	Amherstburg	123	\$ 123 00
41	St. George's	Kingsville	155	200 00
46	Wellington	Chatham	260	185 00
47	Great Western	Windsor	575	600 00
245	Tecumseh	Thamesville	71	51 00
255	Sydenham	Dresden	83	37 00
267	Parthenon	Chatham	271	129 00
274	Kent	Blenheim	118	52 00
282	Lorne	Glencoe	84	88 00
290	Leamington	Leamington	154	
312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg	121	122 00
327	Hammond	Wardsville	26	5 00
336	Highgate	Highgate	62	
386	McCull	West Lorne	103	100 00
390	Florence	Florence	48	138 00
391	Howard	Ridgetown	115	
395	Parvaim	Comber	59	59 00
402	Central	Essex	87	85 00
403	Windsor	Windsor	368	370 00
411	Rodney	Rodney	45	
413	Naphtali	Tilbury	88	21 00
422	Star of the East	Bothwell	66	67 00
448	Xenophon	Wheatley	134	
457	Century	Merlin	47	23 00
488	King Edward	Harrow	72	72 00
500	Rose	Windsor	68	91 00
521	Ontario	Windsor	54	54 00
			3457	\$2672 00
ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2.				
56	Victoria	Sarnia	234	\$ 50 00
81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges	86	79 00
83	Beaver	Strathroy	136	90 00
116	Cassia	Thedford	44	43 00
153	Burns	Wyoming	116	18 00
158	Alexandra	Oil Springs	76	
194	Petrolia	Petrolia	144	147 00
238	Havelock	Watford	72	30 00
260	Washington	Petrolia	137	29 00
263	Forest	Forest	91	91 00
294	Moore	Courtright	66	50 00
307	Arkona	Arkona	45	44 00
323	Alvinston	Alvinston	73	41 00
328	Ionic	Napier	51	56 00
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	48	
392	Huron	Camlachie	66	42 00
397	Leopold	Brigden	65	68 00
419	Bismarck	Sarnia	75	78 00
425	St. Clair	Sombra	88	26 00
437	Tuscan	Sarnia	96	225 00
503	Inwood	Inwood	43	43 00
			1852	\$1250 00

BELGIAN RELIEF FUND.

Statement of Contributions received by Grand Secretary to July 31st, 1915.

No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
LONDON DISTRICT No. 3.				
20	St. John's	London	307	300 00
42	St. George's	London	182	55 50
44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	367	368 00
64	Kilwinning	London	218	95 00
94	St. Mark's	Port Stanley	71	50 00
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	89	50 00
120	Warren	Fingal	44	
140	Malahide	Aylmer	131	130 00
171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Station	43	30 00
190	Belmont	Belmont	78	38 00
195	Tuscan	London	130	130 00
209a	St. John's	London	412	400 00
232	Cameron	Dutton	85	90 00
289	Doric	Lobo	72	69 00
300	Mount Olivet	Thorndale	59	
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	317	318 00
330	Corinthian	London	217	200 00
344	Merrill	Dorchester	56	35 00
345	Nilestown	Nilestown	57	33 00
358	Delaware Valley	Delaware	70	
378	King Solomon's	London	240	200 00
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	44	17 00
380	Union	London	301	300 00
388	Henderson	Ilderton	46	46 00
394	King Solomon	Thamesford	81	81 00
399	Moffat	Harrietsville	50	50 00
	Personal			6 00
			3767	\$3091 50

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4.

33	Maitland	Goderich	182	188 00
73	St. James'	St. Marys	118	63 00
84	Clinton	Clinton	88	42 00
133	Lebanon Forest	Exeter	106	105 00
141	Tudor	Mitchell	70	68 00
144	Tecumseh	Stratford	251	259 00
154	Irving	Lucan	92	28 00
170	Britannia	Seaforth	113	120 00
205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	39	10 00
224	Zurich	Hensall	80	79 00
233	Doric	Parkhill	63	57 00
303	Blyth	Blyth	80	80 00
309	Morning Star	Carlow	55	41 50
318	Wilmot	Baden	30	28 00
332	Stratford	Stratford	211	96 00
456	Elma	Monkton	54	54 00
478	Milverton	Milverton	69	5 00
483	Granton	Granton	50	48 00
493	St. Marys	St. Marys	71	
			1822	\$1371 50

BELGIAN RELIEF FUND.

Statement of Contributions received by Grand Secretary to July 31st, 1915.

No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5.				
93	Northern Light	Kincardine	116	\$ 116 00
131	St. Lawrence	Southampton	82	32 00
162	Forest	Wroxeter	50	
184	Old Light	Lucknow	104	58 00
197	Saugeen	Walkerton	74	57 00
225	Bernard	Listowel	112	70 00
235	Aldworth	Paisley	87	87 00
276	Teeswater	Teeswater	46	
284	St. John's	Brussels	94	69 00
286	Wingham	Wingham	103	50 00
331	Fordwich	Fordwich	58	
341	Bruce	Tiverton	71	
362	Maple Leaf	Tara	57	52 00
393	Forest	Chesley	63	
396	Cedar	Warton	133	133 00
429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin	57	57 00
431	Moravian	Cargill	52	33 00
432	Hanover	Hanover	65	66 00
436	Burns	Hepworth	39	
			1463	\$ 880 00
WILSON DISTRICT No. 6.				
10	Norfolk	Simcoe	148	\$ 73 00
37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	148	150 00
43	King Solomon's	Woodstock	298	217 50
68	St. John's	Ingersoll	103	65 00
76	Oxford	Woodstock	255	172 50
78	King Hiram	Tillsonburg	178	185 00
82	St. John's	Paris	111	111 00
104	St. John's	Norwich	105	103 00
106	Burford	Burford	81	50 50
108	Blenheim	Princeton	55	31 00
113	Wilson	Waterford	152	152 00
149	Erie	Port Dover	89	87 00
174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	84	88 00
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	49	49 00
181	Oriental	Port Burwell	43	28 00
193	Scotland	Scotland	82	80 00
217	Frederick	Delhi	61	
237	Vienna	Vienna	69	39 00
250	Thistle	Embro	45	45 00
259	Springfield	Springfield	86	89 00
261	Oak Branch	Innerkip	40	40 00
359	Vittoria	Vittoria	59	25 00
			2341	\$1880 50

BELGIAN RELIEF FUND.

Statement of Contributions received by Grand Secretary to July
31st, 1915.

No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7.				
72	Alma	Galt	159	\$ 188 00
151	Grand River	Berlin	213	100 00
172	Ayr	Ayr	49	47 00
180	Speed	Guelph	151	94 00
200	St. Alban's	Mount Forest	82	82 00
203	Irvine	Elora	90	50 00
216	Harris	Orangeville	164	158 00
257	Galt	Galt	204	204 00
258	Guelph	Guelph	142	58 00
262	Harriston	Harriston	102	110 00
271	Wellington	Erin	68	20 00
279	New Hope	Hespeler	98	
295	Conestogo	Drayton	81	77 00
297	Preston	Preston	81	82 00
306	Durham	Durham	63	60 00
314	Blair	Palmerston	107	110 00
315	Clifford	Clifford	58	50 00
334	Prince Arthur	Arthur	58	51 00
347	Mercer	Fergus	83	78 00
361	Waverley	Guelph	240	240 00
421	Scott	Grand Valley	92	50 00
509	Twin City	Berlin	67	66 00
			<u>2452</u>	<u>\$1975 00</u>

BELGIAN RELIEF FUND.

Statement of Contributions received by Grand Secretary to July
31st, 1915.

No.	Lodge	Location	Membership	
			Dec., 1914	Paid
HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8.				
6...	Barton.....	Hamilton.....	462.....	\$ 475 00
27...	Strict Observance.....	Hamilton.....	433.....	433 00
40...	St. John's.....	Hamilton.....	526.....	526 00
45...	Brant.....	Brantford.....	325.....	201 50
57...	Harmony.....	Binbrook.....	111.....	169 25
61...	Acacia.....	Hamilton.....	533.....	535 00
62...	St. Andrew's.....	Caledonia.....	88.....	75 00
100...	Valley.....	Dundas.....	187.....	187 00
121...	Doric.....	Brantford.....	507.....	371 50
135...	St. Clair.....	Milton.....	124.....	70 50
165...	Burlington.....	Burlington.....	148.....	146 00
166...	Wentworth.....	Stoney Creek.....	147.....	27 00
219...	Credit.....	Georgetown.....	264.....	100 00
243...	St. George.....	St. George.....	76.....	80 00
272...	Seymour.....	Ancaster.....	68.....	45 00
291...	Dufferin.....	W. Flamboro'.....	105.....	105 00
321...	Walker.....	Acton.....	79.....	82 00
324...	Temple.....	Hamilton.....	406.....	176 00
357...	Waterdown.....	Millgrove.....	134.....	105 00
382...	Doric.....	Hamilton.....	409.....	406 00
400...	Oakville.....	Oakville.....	152.....	152 00
475...	Dundurn.....	Hamilton.....	198.....	56 00
495...	Electric.....	Hamilton.....	215.....	130 00
505...	Lynden.....	Lynden.....	47.....	32 00
508...	Ozias.....	Brantford.....	39.....	78 00
513...	Corinthian.....	Hamilton.....	77.....	80 00
515...	Reba.....	Brantford.....	59.....	58 00
519...	Onondaga.....	Onondaga.....	34.....	34 00
			5953	\$4935 75

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9.

79...	Simcoe.....	Bradford.....	92.....	\$ 30 00
90...	Manito.....	Collingwood.....	137.....	157 00
96...	Corinthian.....	Barrie.....	209.....	215 00
137...	Pythagoras.....	Meaford.....	123.....	120 00
192...	Orillia.....	Orillia.....	259.....	101 00
230...	Kerr.....	Barrie.....	107.....	120 15
234...	Beaver.....	Clarksburg.....	88.....	75 00
249...	Caledonian.....	Midland.....	205.....	126 00
266...	Northern Light.....	Stayner.....	39.....	38 00
304...	Minerva.....	Stroud.....	88.....	30 00
348...	Georgian.....	Penetanguishene.....	100.....	100 00
466...	Coronation.....	Elmvale.....	75.....	35 00
470...	Victoria.....	Victoria Harbour.....	114.....	41 00
492...	Karnak.....	Coldwater.....	63.....	63 00
			1699	\$1251 15

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No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9a.				
88.	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	196.....	\$ 52 00
236.	Manitoba.....	Cookstown.....	72.....	71 00
285.	Seven Star.....	Alliston.....	78.....	80 00
322.	North Star.....	Owen Sound.....	189.....	41 00
333.	Prince Arthur.....	Flesherton.....	70.....	70 00
377.	Lorne.....	Shelburne.....	83.....	24 50
385.	Spry.....	Beeton.....	77.....	29 00
441.	Nitetis.....	Creemore.....	76.....	75 00
449.	Dundalk.....	Dundalk.....	52.....	52 00
467.	Tottenham.....	Tottenham.....	64.....	
490.	Hiram.....	Markdale.....	38.....	32 00
			995	\$526 50

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10.

2.	Niagara.....	Niagara.....	102.....	\$ 54 00
7.	Union.....	Grimsby.....	149.....	148 00
15.	St. George's.....	St. Catharines.....	151.....	151 00
32.	Amity.....	Dunnville.....	147.....	153 00
35.	St. John's.....	Cayuga.....	89.....	50 00
103.	Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines.....	229.....	230 00
105.	St. Mark's.....	Niagara Falls.....	175.....	176 00
115.	Ivy.....	Beamsville.....	133.....	140 00
168.	Merritt.....	Welland.....	142.....	100 00
169.	Macnab.....	Port Colborne.....	101.....	101 00
185.	Enniskillen.....	York.....	28.....	15 00
221.	Mountain.....	Thorold.....	160.....	160 00
254.	Clifton.....	Niagara Falls.....	247.....	250 00
277.	Seymour.....	Port Dalhousie.....	75.....	50 00
296.	Temple.....	St. Catharines.....	133.....	70 00
319.	Hiram.....	Hagersville.....	95.....	75 00
329.	King Solomon.....	Jarvis.....	71.....	73 00
337.	Myrtle.....	Port Robinson.....	49.....	50 00
338.	Dufferin.....	Wellandport.....	83.....	
372.	Palmer.....	Bridgeburg.....	112.....	125 00
373.	Copestone.....	Welland.....	136.....	136 00
471.	King Edward VII.....	Chippawa.....	55.....	55 00
502.	Coronation.....	Smithville.....	42.....	43 00
			2704	\$2405 00

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No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 11.				
22	King Solomon's	Toronto	355	\$ 350 00
54	Vaughan	Maple	45	47 00
65	Rehoboam	Toronto	485	500 00
86	Wilson	Toronto	371	375 00
98	True Blue	Bolton	64	51 00
118	Union	Schomberg	61	70 00
156	York	Toronto	223	227 00
229	Ionic	Brampton	138	140 00
247	Ashlar	Toronto	411	411 00
265	Patterson	Thornhill	71	51 75
292	Robertson	King	32	32 00
305	Humber	Weston	111	107 00
311	Blackwood	Woodbridge	65	66 00
326	Zetland	Toronto	589	620 00
346	Occident	Toronto	399	400 00
356	River Park	Streetsville	79	78 00
369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	138	128 00
384	Alpha	Toronto	487	500 00
426	Stanley	Toronto	331	330 00
438	Harmony	Toronto	415	432 00
468	Peel	Caledon East	74	75 00
474	Victoria	Toronto	238	229 00
481	Corinthian	Toronto	125	120 00
496	University	Toronto	134	125 00
501	Connaught	Mimico	73	75 00
510	Parkdale	Toronto	78	50 00
514	St. Alban's	Toronto	132	125 00
522	Mount Sinai	Toronto	42	50 00
524	Mississauga	Port Credit	21	31 00
525	Temple	Toronto	31	20 00
			<u>5317</u>	<u>\$5815 75</u>

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No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11a.				
16.	St. Andrew's	Toronto	464	\$ 500 00
23.	Richmond	Richmond Hill	62	55 00
25.	Ionic	Toronto	308	308 00
75.	St. John's	Toronto	317	300 00
87.	Markham Union	Markham	103	101 00
97.	Sharon	Queensville	77	10 00
99.	Tuscan	Newmarket	68	
129.	Rising Sun	Aurora	93	92 00
136.	Richardson	Stouffville	55	41 00
218.	Stevenson	Toronto	276	275 00
220.	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	88	91 00
269.	Brougham Union	Claremont	72	
316.	Doric	Toronto	387	390 00
339.	Orient	Toronto	379	377 00
343.	Georgina	Toronto	405	200 00
354.	Brock	Cannington	64	64 00
367.	St. George	Toronto	408	408 00
410.	Zeta	Toronto	341	350 00
424.	Doric	Pickering	51	
430.	Acacia	Toronto	200	198 00
473.	The Beaches	Toronto	212	215 00
494.	Riverdale	Toronto	219	75 00
512.	Malone	Sutton West	49	31 00
520.	Coronati	Toronto	190	153 50
			4888	\$4234 50

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12.

30.	Composite	Whitby	85	\$ 85 00
39.	Mount Zion	Brooklin	62	21 00
77.	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	252	163 00
139.	Lebanon	Oshawa	149	150 00
268.	Verulam	Bobcaygeon	59	
270.	Cedar	Oshawa	130	100 00
398.	Victoria	Kirkfield	45	
406.	Spry	Fenelon Falls	76	32 00
408.	Murray	Beaverton	59	
428.	Fidelity	Port Perry	134	66 00
440.	Arcadia	Minden	66	50 00
451.	Somerville	Kinmount	61	16 00
463.	North Entrance	Haliburton	47	45 00
464.	King Edward	Sunderland	41	28 00
477.	Harding	Woodville	53	163 00
498.	King George V	Coboconk	43	42 00
			1362	\$ 961 00

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No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13.				
11	Moirs	Belleville	298	\$ 300 00
17	St. John's	Cobourg	144	57 00
18	Prince Edward	Picton	227	230 00
29	United	Brighton	115	118 00
38	Trent	Trenton	151	122 00
48	Madoc	Madoc	129	30 00
50	Consecon	Consecon	65	67 00
69	Stirling	Stirling	107	24 00
91	Colborne	Colborne	95	
123	Belleville	Belleville	163	156 00
126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	107	63 00
127	Frank	Frankford	116	104 50
161	Percy	Warkworth	44	16 00
164	Star in the East	Wellington	132	31 00
215	Lake	Ameliasburg	75	75 00
222	Marmora	Marmora	94	34 00
239	Tweed	Tweed	127	97 00
283	Eureka	Belleville	148	85 50
401	Craig	Deseronto	105	35 00
482	Bancroft	Bancroft	106	32 35
			2548	\$1677 35

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14.

3	Ancient St. John's	Kingston	242	\$ 164 00
9	Union	Napanee	157	160 00
92	Cataraqui	Kingston	273	112 00
109	Albion	Harrowsmith	95	95 00
119	Maple Leaf	Bath	75	46 00
146	Prince of Wales	Newburgh	70	69 00
157	Simpson	Newboro'	75	73 00
201	Leeds	Gananoque	186	196 00
212	Elysian	Garden Island	17	
228	Prince Arthur	Odessa	74	71 00
253	Minden	Kingston	163	163 00
299	Victoria	Centreville	56	56 00
404	Lorne	Tamworth	75	74 00
441	Westport	Westport	63	30 00
460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	67	67 00
497	St. Andrew's	Arden	37	26 00
			1725	\$1402 00

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No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15.				
5	Sussex	Brockville	294	\$ 130 00
14	True Britons	Perth	139	17 00
24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	178	178 00
28	Mount Zion	Kemptville	79	
55	Merrickville	Merrickville	107	50 00
74	St. James'	South Augusta	78	36 85
85	Rising Sun	Athens	76	
110	Central	Prescott	132	132 00
242	Macoy	Mallorytown	96	50 00
368	Salem	Brockville	205	70 00
370	Harmony	Delta	73	74 00
387	Lansdowne	Lansdowne	55	22 00
389	Crystal Fountain	North Augusta	58	
416	Lyn	Lyn	50	25 00
489	Osiris	Smith's Falls	81	79 00
504	Otter	Lombardy	39	
			1740	\$ 863 85

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16

52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	356	\$ 257 55
58	Doric	Ottawa	218	231 50
63	St. John's	Carleton Place	193	111 00
122	Renfrew	Renfrew	135	100 00
128	Pembroke	Pembroke	176	150 00
147	Mississippi	Almonte	101	67 00
148	Civil Service	Ottawa	227	300 00
159	Goodwood	Richmond	69	40 00
177	The Builders	Ottawa	286	283 00
196	Madawaska	Arnprior	104	75 00
209	Evergreen	Lanark	43	
231	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa	273	300 00
264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	263	250 00
371	Prince of Wales	Ottawa	188	188 00
433	Bonnechere	Eganville	66	30 00
459	Cobden	Cobden	90	34 00
465	Carleton	Carp	55	25 00
476	Corinthian	North Gower	66	30 50
479	Russell	Russell	92	92 00
516	Enterprise	Beachburg	40	31 00
517	Hazeldean	Hazeldean	34	34 00
526	Ionic	Westboro'	54	
Dedication Surplus				115 00
Thos. Shanks, D.D.G.M., personal				65 00
			3129	\$2809 55

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No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17.				
287.	Shuniah.....	Port Arthur.....	315.....	315 00
414.	Pequonga.....	Kenora.....	183.....	150 00
415.	Fort William.....	Fort William.....	273.....	
417.	Keewatin.....	Keewatin.....	96.....	66 00
445.	Lake of the Woods.....	Kenora.....	52.....	31 00
446.	Granite.....	Fort Frances.....	95.....	90 00
453.	Royal.....	Fort William.....	143.....	
461.	Ionic.....	Rainy River.....	93.....	
484.	Golden Star.....	Dryden.....	78.....	25 00
499.	Port Arthur.....	Port Arthur.....	132.....	23 00
511.	Connaught.....	W. Fort William.....	45.....	16 00
518.	Sioux Lookout.....	Sioux Lookout.....	54.....	27 00
			1559.....	\$ 743 00

NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18.

405.	Mattawa.....	Mattawa.....	117.....	\$ 117 00
412.	Keystone.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	353.....	223 50
420.	Nipissing.....	North Bay.....	241.....	242 00
427.	Nickel.....	Sudbury.....	232.....	235 00
442.	Dymont.....	Thessalon.....	105.....	50 00
447.	Sturgeon Falls.....	Sturgeon Falls.....	96.....	90 00
455.	Doric.....	Little Current.....	92.....	23 00
462.	Temiskaming.....	New Liskeard.....	186.....	100 00
469.	Algoma.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	187.....	187 00
472.	Gore Bay.....	Gore Bay.....	74.....	75 00
485.	Haileybury.....	Haileybury.....	178.....	178 00
486.	Silver.....	Cobalt.....	199.....	193 00
487.	Penewobikong.....	Blind River.....	60.....	62 00
506.	Porcupine.....	Porcupine.....	115.....	115 00
507.	Elk Lake.....	Elk Lake.....	76.....	77 00
527.	Espanola.....	Espanola.....	21.....	13 00
UD.	Golden Beaver.....	Timmins.....	36.....	
UD.	Cochrane.....	Cochrane.....	25.....	
Lodge of Instruction at Cobalt.....				52 00
			2393.....	\$2032 50

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No.	Lodge	Location	Membership Dec., 1914	Paid
MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19.				
352	Granite	Parry Sound	163	\$ 175 00
360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	83	103 00
376	Unity	Huntsville	122	40 55
409	Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	98	82 00
423	Strong	Sundridge	70	85 00
434	Algonquin	Emsdale	105	90 00
443	Powassan	Powassan	81	50 75
454	Corona	Burk's Falls	75	69 00
			797	\$ 695 30

OTONABEE DISTRICT No. 20.				
26	Ontario	Port Hope	144	\$ 140 00
31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville	142	148 75
66	Durham	Newcastle	63	53 00
101	Corinthian	Peterborough	182	182 00
114	Hope	Port Hope	175	150 00
145	J. B. Hall	Millbrook	81	27 00
155	Peterborough	Peterborough	255	265 00
223	Norwood	Norwood	95	95 00
313	Clementi	Lakefield	104	106 00
325	Orono	Orono	45	45 00
374	Keene	Keene	36	15 00
375	Lorne	Omemee	60	20 00
435	Havelock	Havelock	121	110 00
523	Royal Arthur	Peterborough	35	31 00
			1538	\$1387 75

EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21.				
21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill	63	\$ 64 00
125	Cornwall	Cornwall	132	52 00
142	Excelsior	Morrisburg	73	65 00
143	Friendly Bros	Iroquois	105	31 00
186	Plantagenet	Riceville	61	11 50
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	121	25 00
256	Farran's Point	Aultsville	95	47 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	98	46 00
383	Henderson	W. Winchester	70	
418	Maxville	Maxville	79	29 00
439	Alexandria	Alexandria	68	
450	Hawkesbury	Hawesbury	65	65 00
452	Avonmore	Avonmore	101	33 00
458	Wales	Wales	89	42 00
480	Williamsburg	Williamsburg	41	41 00
491	Cardinal	Cardinal	57	40 00
			1318	\$ 591 50

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RECAPITULATION.

No.	District	Membership, Dec., 1914	Paid
1.....	Erie.....	3457	\$ 2672 00
2.....	St. Clair.....	1852	1250 00
3.....	London.....	3767	3091 50
4.....	South Huron.....	1822	1371 50
5.....	North Huron.....	1463	880 00
6.....	Wilson.....	2341	1880 50
7.....	Wellington.....	2452	1975 00
8.....	Hamilton.....	5953	4935 75
9.....	Georgian.....	1699	1251 15
9a.....	Georgian.....	995	526 50
10.....	Niagara.....	2704	2405 00
11.....	Toronto West.....	5317	5815 75
11a.....	Toronto East.....	4888	4234 50
12.....	Ontario.....	1362	961 00
13.....	Prince Edward.....	2548	1677 35
14.....	Frontenac.....	1725	1402 00
15.....	St. Lawrence.....	1740	863 85
16.....	Ottawa.....	3129	2809 55
17.....	Algoma.....	1559	743 00
18.....	Nipissing.....	2393	2032 50
19.....	Muskoka.....	797	695 30
20.....	Otonabee.....	1538	1387 75
21.....	Eastern.....	1318	591 50
		56819	45452 95
Miscellaneous.....			179 86
			<u>\$45632 81</u>

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Upon nomination of their respective Grand Masters, the following brethren have been appointed by the Grand Master to represent this Grand Lodge near their own Grand Bodies, viz:

V. W. Bro. Alfred F. Robbins, London, England, United Grand Lodge of England.

R. W. Bro. Robert A. Shirrefs, Elizabeth, New Jersey, Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

Bro. Arden A. Lemon, Barnwell, Mt. Pleasant, S. Carolina, Grand Lodge of South Carolina.

Bro. A. J. DeGraaf, Amsterdam, Grand Lodge of The Netherlands.

Upon nomination of the M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, R. W. Bro. John Boyd, Toronto, was appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of New Zealand.

WARRANTS.

In compliance with the resolution of Grand Lodge at the last annual communication, warrants have been granted to:—

Connaught Lodge No. 511, West Fort William.
Malone Lodge No. 512, Sutton West.
Corinthian Lodge No. 513, Hamilton.
St. Alban's Lodge No. 514, Toronto.
Reba Lodge No. 515, Brantford.
Enterprise Lodge No. 516, Beachburg.
Hazeldean Lodge No. 517, Hazeldean.
Sioux Lookout Lodge No. 518, Sioux Lookout.
Onondaga Lodge No. 519, Onondaga.
Coronati Lodge No. 520, Toronto.
Ontario Lodge No. 521, Windsor.
Mount Sinai Lodge No. 522, Toronto.

DISPENSATIONS.

Dispensations have been continued to the following lodges, viz.:—

Royal Arthur Lodge, Peterborough.
Temple Lodge, Toronto.
Mississauga Lodge, Port Credit.
Ionic Lodge, Westboro'.

Dispensations have been granted to new lodges as follows, viz.:—

Espanola Lodge, Espanola.
Golden Beaver Lodge, Timmins.
Myra Lodge, Komoka.
Cochrane Lodge, Cochrane.

CONSECRATIONS.

The following lodges have been constituted and consecrated, viz.:—

Sioux Lookout Lodge No. 518, Sioux Lookout, by R. W. Bro. Nelson Schnarr, D.D.G.M., on Saturday, September 12th, 1914.

Connaught Lodge No. 511, West Fort William, by R. W. Bro. Nelson Schnarr, D.D.G.M., on Monday, September 14th, 1914.

Ontario Lodge No. 521, Windsor, by R. W. Bro. Robt. Healey, D.D.G.M., on Monday, September 21st, 1914.

Onondaga Lodge No. 519, Onondaga, by R. W. Bro. James McGregor, D. D. G. M., on Friday, October 2nd, 1914.

Enterprise Lodge No. 516, Beachburg, by R. W. Bro. Thomas Shanks, D.D.G.M., on Monday, October 5th, 1914.

Hazeldean Lodge No. 517, Hazeldean, by R. W. Bro. Thomas Shanks, D.D.G.M., on Friday, October 9th, 1914.

Coronati Lodge No. 520, Toronto, by R. W. Bro. Wm. R. Walters, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, October 13th, 1914.

Mount Sinai Lodge No. 522, Toronto, by R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Smith, D.D.G.M., on Friday, October 16th, 1914.

St. Alban's Lodge No. 514, Toronto, by R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Smith, D.D.G.M., on Monday, October 19th, 1914.

Corinthian Lodge No. 513, Hamilton, by R. W. Bro. Jas. McGregor, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, October 22nd, 1914.

Malone Lodge No. 512, Sutton West, by R. W. Bro. Wm. R. Walters, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, October 28th, 1914.

Reba Lodge No. 515, Brantford, by R. W. Bro. James McGregor, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, November 12th, 1914.

DEDICATIONS.

The following lodges have been dedicated during the year, viz.:—

Erie District No. 1.

Pnyx Lodge No. 312, Wallaceburg, by R. W. Bro. Robt. Healey, D.D.G.M., on Monday, March 29th, 1915.

Wilson District No. 6.

Frederick Lodge No. 217, Delhi, by R. W. Bro. Hy. McQueen, acting D.D.G.M., on Monday, March 29th, 1915.

Hamilton District No. 8.

Onondaga Lodge No. 519, Onondaga, by R. W. Bro. James McGregor, D. D. G. M., on Friday, October 2nd, 1914. (Later destroyed by fire.)

Seymour Lodge No. 272, Ancaster, by R. W. Bro. James McGregor, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, December 1st, 1914.

Onondaga Lodge No. 519, Onondaga, by R. W. Bro. James McGregor, D.D.G.M., on Monday, February 1st, 1915.

Toronto East District. No. 11a.

Malone Lodge No. 512, Sutton West, by R. W. Bro. Wm. R. Walters, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, October 28th, 1914.

Prince Edward District No. 13.

Tweed Lodge No. 239, Tweed, by R. W. Bro. H. J. Clarke, D.D.G.M., on Friday, September 4th, 1914.

Frontenac District No. 14.

Lorne Lodge No. 404, Tamworth, by R. W. Bro. A. B. Carscallen, D.D.G.M., on Friday, February 5th, 1915.

Prince of Wales Lodge No. 146, Newburgh, by R. W. Bro. A. B. Carscallen, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, December 1st, 1914.

Ottawa District No. 16.

Enterprise Lodge No. 516, Beachburg, by R. W. Bro. Thomas Shanks, D.D.G.M., on Monday, October 5th, 1914.

Hazeldean Lodge No. 517, Hazeldean, by M. W. Bro. Thomas Shanks, D.D.G.M., on Friday, October 9th, 1914.

The Ottawa Masonic Temple, Ottawa, by M. W. Bro. Wm. David McPherson, Grand Master, on Wednesday, November 4th, 1914.

Bonnechere Lodge No. 433, Eganville, by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, D.G.M., on Monday, June 14th, 1915.

Algoma District No. 17.

Sioux Lookout Lodge No. 518, Sioux Lookout, by R. W. Bro. Nelson Schnarr, D.D.G.M., on Saturday, September 12th, 1914.

Eastern District No. 21.

Plantagenet Lodge No. 186, Riceville, by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, D.G.M., on Monday, March 1st, 1915.

BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M. W. THE GRAND MASTER.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location
1914			
Sept.	4. 254.	Clifton.....	Niagara Falls
Nov.	21. 66.	Durham.....	Newcastle
Nov.	21. 386.	McColl.....	West Lorne
Nov.	21. 201.	Leeds.....	Gananoque
Nov.	21. 371.	Lodge of Fidelity.....	Ottawa
Nov.	21. 506.	Porcupine.....	Porcupine
Nov.	21. 509.	Twin City.....	Berlin
Nov.	21. 517.	Hazeldean.....	Hazeldean
Nov.	21. 520.	Coronati.....	Toronto
Nov.	24. 29.	United.....	Brighton
Dec.	4. 514.	St. Alban's.....	Toronto
Dec.	7. 218.	Stevenson.....	Toronto
Dec.	17. 296.	Temple.....	St. Catharines
Dec.	23. 443.	Powassan.....	Powassan
1915.			
Jan.	16. 63.	St. John's.....	Carleton Place
Feb.	10. 515.	Reba.....	Brantford
Feb.	23. 186.	Plantagenet.....	Riceville
Feb.	23. 473.	The Beaches.....	Toronto
Feb.	23. 519.	Onondaga.....	Onondaga
March	30. 406.	Spry.....	Fenelon Falls
March	30. 518.	Sioux Lookout.....	Sioux Lookout
March	30. 521.	Ontario.....	Windsor
March.	30. 522.	Mt. Sinai.....	Toronto
April	7. 171.	Prince of Wales.....	Lawrence Station
May	18. 419.	Bismarck.....	Sarnia
May	22. 511.	Connaught.....	Fort William
June	1. 156.	York.....	Toronto
June	22. 50.	Consecon.....	Consecon

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M. W. THE GRAND MASTER.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location.
1914			
July	22. 63.	St. John's.....	Carleton Place
July	22. 330.	Corinthian.....	London
July	24. 439.	Alexandria.....	Alexandria
Sept.	17. 194.	Petrolia.....	Petrolia
Nov.	21. 22.	King Solomon's.....	Toronto
Nov.	21. 31.	Jerusalem.....	Bowmanville
Nov.	21. 43.	King Solomon's.....	Woodstock
Nov.	21. 81.	St. John's.....	Mt Brydges
Nov.	21. 103.	Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines
Nov.	21. 109.	Albion.....	Harrowsmith
Nov.	21. 115.	Ivy.....	Beamsville
Nov.	21. 423.	Strong.....	Sundridge
Nov.	21. 475.	Dundurn.....	Hamilton

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE
M. W. THE GRAND MASTER—Continued.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location
1914			
Nov.	21...144...	Tecumseh.....	Stratford
Nov.	21...231...	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa
Nov.	21...276...	Teeswater.....	Teeswater
Nov.	21...285...	Seven Star.....	Alliston
Nov.	21...297...	Preston.....	Preston
Nov.	21...299...	Victoria.....	Centreville
Nov.	21...364...	Dufferin.....	Melbourne
1915.			
Feb.	13...494...	Riverdale.....	Toronto
Feb.	23...86...	Wilson.....	Toronto
Feb.	23...57...	Harmony.....	Binbrook
Feb.	23...474...	Victoria.....	Toronto
Feb.	23...331...	Fordwich.....	Fordwich
Feb.	23...247...	Ashlar.....	Toronto
Feb.	23...86...	Wilson.....	Toronto
Feb.	26...64...	Kilwinning.....	London
March	13...403...	Windsor.....	Windsor
March	22...449...	Dundalk.....	Dundalk
March	26...420...	Nipissing.....	North Bay
March	30...15...	St. George's.....	St. Catharines
March	30...209a...	St. John's.....	London
March	30...75...	St. John's.....	Toronto
March	30...469...	Algoma.....	Sault Ste. Marie
March	31...488...	King Edward	Harrow
March	31...503...	Inwood.....	Inwood
April	9...403...	Windsor.....	Windsor
May	5...54...	Vaughan.....	Maple
May	17...254...	Clifton.....	Niagara Falls
May	18...380...	Union.....	London
May	22...99...	Tuscan.....	Newmarket
May	26...172...	Ayr.....	Ayr
June	1...475...	Dundurn.....	Hamilton
June	1...47...	Great Western.....	Windsor
June	2...34...	Thistle.....	Amherstburg
June	5...30...	Composite.....	Whitby
June	7...245...	Tecumseh.....	Thamesville
June	14...322...	North Star.....	Owen Sound
June	22...376...	Unity.....	Huntsville
July	17...86...	Wilson.....	Toronto
July	17...142...	Excelsior.....	Morrisburg

DISPENSATIONS.

Date 1914	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
July	2	506 Porcupine	Porcupine	Divine Service
July	4	402 Central	Essex	To install
July	4	482 Bancroft	Bancroft	Divine Service
July	8	162 Forest	Wroxeter	To install
July	8	316 Doric	Toronto	Picnic
July	9	502 Coronation	Smithville	Divine Service
July	21	31 Jerusalem	Bowmanville	To initiate
Aug.	4	207 Lancaster	Lancaster	To install
Aug.	4	207 Lancaster	Lancaster	Divine Service
Aug.	4	408 Murray	Beaverton	Divine Service
Aug.	5	516 Enterprise	Beachburg	Concert
Aug.	17	196 Madawaska	Arnprior	Decorate graves
Aug.	27	506 Porcupine	Porcupine	To elect
Aug.	25	456 Elma	Monkton	Divine Service
Aug.	28	15 St. George's	St. Catharines	Change night of mtg.
Sept.	1	62 St. Andrew's	Caledonia	Divine Service
Sept.	5	272 Seymour	Ancaster	Divine Service
Sept.	8	461 Ionic	Rainy River	Divine Service
Sept.	9	126 Golden Rule	Campbellford	Divine Service
Sept.	10	357 Waterdown	Millgrove	Divine Service
Sept.	11	503 Inwood	Inwood	Divine Service
Sept.	16	485 Haileybury	Haileybury	Divine Service
Sept.	24	6 Barton	Hamilton	Change night of mtg.
Sept.	26	247 Ashlar	Toronto	Change night of mtg.
Sept.	26	376 Unity	Huntsville	Divine Service
Sept.	26	35 St. John's	Cayuga	To install
Sept.	28	34 Thistle	Amherstburg	Memorial Service
Sept.	30	507 Elk Lake	Elk Lake	To install
Oct.	1	471 King Edward VII	Chippawa	Divine Service
Oct.	6	97 Sharon	Queensville	Divine Service
Oct.	6	333 Prince Arthur	Flesherton	Divine Service
Oct.	7	274 Kent	Blenheim	Divine Service
Oct.	7	314 Blair	Palmerston	To initiate
Oct.	15	164 Star in the East	Wellington	Divine Service
Oct.	15	486 Silver	Cobalt	To install
Oct.	16	219 Credit	Georgetown	To initiate
Oct.	16	166 Wentworth	Stoney Creek	Divine Service
Oct.	21	37 King Hiram	Ingersoll	To initiate
Oct.	26	326 Zetland	Toronto	Change night of mtg.
Oct.	27	357 Vittoria	Vittoria	Divine Service
Nov.	18	142 Excelsior	Morrisburg	To elect
Nov.	23	38 Trent	Trenton	To install
Nov.	23	500 Rose	Windsor	At Home
Nov.	24	392 Huron	Camlachie	To elect
Nov.	25	22 King Solomon's	Toronto	At Home
Nov.	25	287 Shuniah	Port Arthur	To install
Nov.	26	332 Stratford	Stratford	Confer degree w'thn tm
Nov.	30	219 Credit	Georgetown	To elect
Nov.	30	442 Dymont	Thessalon	To elect
Nov.	30	507 Elk Lake	Elk Lake	Divine Service
Nov.	30	305 Humber	Weston	To elect

DISPENSATIONS—Continued.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Dec.	1...	494. Riverdale.....	Toronto.....	To install
Dec.	1...	513. Corinthian.....	Hamilton.....	Change night of mtg.
Dec.	2...	332. Stratford.....	Stratford.....	Confer degree w'thn tm
Dec.	3...	385. Spry.....	Beeton.....	Divine Service
Dec.	3...	216. Harris.....	Orangeville.....	To elect
Dec.	3...	496. University.....	Toronto.....	To elect
Dec.	3...	337. Myrtle.....	Port Robinson.....	To install
Dec.	4...	115. Ivy.....	Beamsville.....	To install
Dec.	4...	323. Alvinston.....	Alvinston.....	To elect
Dec.	4...	371. Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa.....	To install
Dec.	5...	415. Fort William.....	Fort William.....	To install
Dec.	5...	113. Wilson.....	Waterford.....	To elect
Dec.	5...	384. Alpha.....	Toronto.....	To install
Dec.	5...	81. St. John's.....	Mount Brydges.....	To install
Dec.	7...	465. Carleton.....	Carp.....	Change night of mtg
Dec.	7...	24. St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls.....	Change night of mtg.
Dec.	7...	452. Avonmore.....	Avonmore.....	To install
Dec.	8...	178. Plattsville.....	Plattsville.....	To install
Dec.	8...	347. Mercer.....	Fergus.....	Change night of mtg.
Dec.	8...	276. Teeswater.....	Teeswater.....	Change night of mtg.
Dec.	9...	101. Corinthian.....	Peterborough.....	To install
Dec.	9...	411. Rodney.....	Rodney.....	To install
Dec.	9...	435. Havelock.....	Havelock.....	To install
Dec.	11...	294. Moore.....	Courtright.....	To elect
Dec.	11...	495. Electric.....	Hamilton.....	Divine Service
Dec.	11...	109. Albion.....	Harrowsmith.....	To install
Dec.	12...	322. North Star.....	Owen Sound.....	To elect
Dec.	12...	505. Lynden.....	Lynden.....	To install
Dec.	14...	63. St. John's.....	Carleton Place.....	To install
Dec.	15...	403. Windsor.....	Windsor.....	To install
Dec.	15...	2. Niagara.....	Niagara.....	To install
Dec.	15...	489. Osiris.....	Smith's Falls.....	To install
Dec.	16...	361. Waverley.....	Guelph.....	To install
Dec.	16...	249. Caledonian.....	Midland.....	To install
Dec.	16...	83. Beaver.....	Strathroy.....	To install
Dec.	16...	18. Prince Edward.....	Picton.....	To install
Dec.	17...	304. Minerva.....	Stroud.....	To install
Dec.	17...	22. King Solomon's.....	Toronto.....	To install
Dec.	17...	159. Goodwood.....	Richmond.....	To install
Dec.	17...	326. Zetland.....	Toronto.....	Change night of mtg.
Dec.	18...	256. Farran's Point.....	Aultsville.....	To install
Dec.	18...	521. Ontario.....	Windsor.....	To raise within time
Dec.	18...	309. Morning Star.....	Carlow.....	To install
Dec.	18...	471. King Edward VII.....	Chippawa.....	To install
Dec.	18...	141. Tudor.....	Mitchell.....	To install
Dec.	19...	209a. St. John's.....	London.....	Change night of mtg.
Dec.	19...	336. Highgate.....	Highgate.....	To install
Dec.	19...	466. Coronation.....	Elmvale.....	To install
Dec.	19...	88. St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	Change night of mtg.
Dec.	19...	180. Speed.....	Guelph.....	To install
Dec.	21...	413. Naphtali.....	Tilbury.....	To install

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Dec.	21	33. Maitland	Goderich	To install
Dec.	22	488. King Edward	Harrow	To install
Dec.	22	334. Prince Arthur	Arthur	To install
Dec.	27	377. Lorne	Shelburne	To install
Dec.	22	97. Sharon	Queensville	To install
Dec.	22	5. Sussex	Brockville	To install
Dec.	22	303. Blyth	Blyth	Divine Service
Dec.	22	323. Alvinston	Alvinston	To install
Dec.	22	498. King George V.	Coboconk	To install
Dec.	23	312. Pnyx	Wallaceburg	To install
Dec.	23	243. St. George	St. George	To install
Dec.	23	21a St. John's	Vankleek Hill	To install
Dec.	23	164. Star in the East	Wellington	To install
Dec.	24	368. Salem	Brockville	To install
Dec.	24	394. King Solomon	Thamesford	To install
Dec.	24	192. Orillia	Orillia	Change night of mtg.
Dec.	26	155. Peterborough	Peterborough	To install
Dec.	26	470. Victoria	Victoria Harbor	To install
Dec.	26	473. The Beaches	Toronto	To install
Dec.	26	433. Bonnechere	Eganville	To install
Dec.	29	154. Irving	Lucan	To install
Dec.	29	482. Bancroft	Bancroft	To install
Dec.	29	374. Keene	Keene	To elect
Dec.	30	245. Tecumseh	Thamesville	To install
Dec.	30	311. Blackwood	Woodbridge	Lodge of Instruction
Dec.	31	47. Great Western	Windsor	To install
1915				
Jan.	2	10. Norfolk	Simcoe	To install
Jan.	2	260. Washington	Petrolia	Lodge of Instruction
Jan.	4	421. Scott	Grand Valley	To install
Jan.	4	474. Victoria	Toronto	Change hour of mtg.
Jan.	4	474. Victoria	Toronto	At Home
Jan.	4	389. Crystal Fountain	N. Augusta	To install
Jan.	4	290. Leamington	Leamington	To install
Jan.	5	486. Silver	Cobalt	Lodge of Instruction
Jan.	6	68. St. John's	Ingersoll	To install
Jan.	6	85. Rising Sun	Athens	To install
Jan.	7	438. Harmony	Toronto	Change hour of mtg.
Jan.	7	438. Harmony	Toronto	At Home
Jan.	9	348. Georgian	Penetanguishene	To install
Jan.	11	3. Ancient St. John's	Kingston	To initiate
Jan.	12	17. St. John's	Cobourg	Lodge of Instruction
Jan.	12	75. St. John's	Toronto	At Home
Jan.	12	37. King Hiram	Ingersoll	To install
Jan.	13	512. Malone	Sutton W.	At Home
Jan.	13	486. Silver	Cobalt	Divine Service
Jan.	15	57. Harmony	Binbrooke	At Home
Jan.	18	149. Erie	Port Dover	To install
Jan.	19	215. Lake	Ameliasburg	At Home
Jan.	19	9. Union	Napanee	Lodge of Instruction
Jan.	20	294. Moore	Courtright	At Home

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Jan.	22 390	Florence	Florence	At Home
Jan.	23 520	Coronati	Toronto	At Home
Jan.	23 520	Coronati	Toronto	Change hour of mtg.
Jan.	23 384	Alpha	Toronto	Change hour of mtg.
Jan.	23 359	Vittoria	Vittoria	To install
Jan.	26 370	Harmony	Delta	To install
Jan.	29 369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	To elect
Jan.	29 369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	To install
Jan.	30 394	King Solomon's	Thamesford	At Home
Feb.	1 171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Station	At Home
Feb.	4 494	Riverdale	Toronto	At Home
Feb.	8 435	Havelock	Havelock	At Home
Feb.	8 400	Oakville	Oakville	Confer d'e within time
Feb.	12 513	Corinthian	Hamilton	At Home
Feb.	13 169	Macnab	Port Colborne	At Home
Feb.	13 47	Great Western	Windsor	At Home
Feb.	15 466	Coronation	Elmvale	At Home
Feb.	15 245	Tecumseh	Thamesville	At Home
Feb.	15 430	Acacia	Toronto	Confer d's within time
Feb.	16 463	North Entrance	Haliburton	To elect
Feb.	20 400	Oakville	Oakville	Confer d'e within time
Feb.	20 500	Rose	Windsor	At Home
Feb.	20 411	Rodney	Rodney	To initiate
Feb.	24 218	Stevenson	Toronto	At Home
Feb.	25 503	Inwood	Inwood	At Home
Feb.	26 62	St. Andrew's	Caledonia	Banquet
Feb.	5 346	Occident	Toronto	At Home
March	1 242	Macoy	Mallorytown	At Home
March	2 316	Doric	Toronto	At Home
March	3 105	St. Mark's	Niagara Falls	At Home
March	4 277	Seymour	Por Dalhousie	Divine Service
March	4 216	Harris	Orangeville	At Home
March	6 430	Acacia	Toronto	At Home
March	6 333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton	At Home
March	12 262	Harriston	Harriston	To initiate
March	13 16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	Confer de's within time
March	15 172	Ayr	Ayr	To initiate
March	17 93	Northern Light	Kincardine	Confer d'e within time
March	30 55	Merrickville	Merrickville	To initiate
March	30 435	Havelock	Havelock	At Home
March	30 247	Ashlar	Toronto	Confer d's within time
April	1 23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	At Home
April	3 466	Coronation	Elmvale	At Home
April	6 46	Wellington	Chatham	Divine Service
April	6 403	Windsor	Windsor	At Home
April	10 439	Alexandria	Alexandria	To initiate
April	17 120	Warren	Fingal	To initiate
April	21 UD	Ionic	Westboro'	To initiate
April	22 45	Brant	Brantford	Lodge of Instruction
April	23 384	Alpha	Toronto	Change hour of mtg.
April	23 415	Fort William	Fort William	Confer d'e within time

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
April 27	219	Credit	Georgetown	Change night of mtg.
April 28	287	Shuniah	Port Arthur	At Home
April 30	435	Havelock	Havelock	Divine Service
May 3	428	Fidelity	Port Perry	Confer d'e within time
May 5	123	Belleville	Belleville	Confer d'e within time
May 6	361	Waverley	Guelph	Change night of mtg.
May 6	258	Guelph	Guelph	To initiate
May 6	260	Washington	Petrolia	To initiate
May 7	481	Corinthian	Toronto	Change night of mtg.
May 7	144	Tecumseh	Stratford	Divine Service
May 7	253	Minden	Kingston	Change place of mtg.
May 10	439	Alexandria	Alexandria	Confer d'ee within t'me
May 10	472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay	Divine Service
May 10	282	Lorne	Glencoe	Divine Service
May 11	65	Rehoboam	Toronto	Confer d's within time
May 12	438	Harmony	Toronto	Change night of mtg.
May 12	462	Temiskaming	New Liskeard	Divine Service
May 13	16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	Confer d's within time
May 13	439	Alexandria	Alexandria	Confer d'e within time
May 14	220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	Change night of mtg.
May 14	151	Grand River	Berlin	Divine Service
May 17	127	Frank	Frankford	To initiate
May 18	228	Prince Arthur	Odessa	Divine Service
May 25	257	Galt	Galt	Change night of mtg.
May 25	267	Parthenon	Chatham	Divine Service
May 25	401	Craig	Deseronto	To install
May 25	443	Powassan	Powassan	Divine Service
May 25	499	Port Arthur	Port Arthur	Hold special meeting
May 26	447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	Divine Service
May 28	159	Goodwood	Richmond	Divine Service
May 28	452	Avonmore	Avonmore	Divine Service
May 29	17	St. John's	Cobourg	To initiate
May 31	62	St. Andrew's	Caledonia	To initiate
June 1	307	Arkona	Arkona	Divine Service
June 1	497	St. Andrew's	Arden	Divine Service
June 4	185	Enniskillen	York	Divine Service
June 4	265	Patterson	Thornhill	Divine Service
June 4	339	Orient	Toronto	Divine Service
June 4	465	Carleton	Carp	Divine Service
June 4	483	Granton	Granton	Divine Service
June 4	412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	Confer d's within time
June 5	488	King Edward	Harrow	Confer d'e within time
June 5	373	Copestone	Welland	Divine Service
June 3	354	Brock	Cannington	Confer d's within time
June 5	236	Manitoba	Cookstown	Divine Service
June 5		Merrickville	Merrickville	To initiate
June 7	82	St. John's	Paris	Divine Service
June 7	232	Cameron	Dutton	Divine Service
June 7	287	Shuniah	Port Arthur	Divine Service
June 7	312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg	Divine Service
June 7	405	Mattawa	Mattawa	Decorate graves

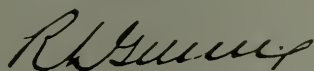
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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
June	7... 479	Russell	Russell	Divine Service
June	8... 30	Composite	Whitby	Divine Service
June	8... 299	Victoria	Centreville	Divine Service
June	8... 398	Victoria	Kirkfield	Divine Service
June	8... 93	Northern Light	Kincardine	Divine Service
June	8... 459	Cobden	Cobden	Divine Service
June	9... 32	Amity	Dunnville	Divine Service
June	9... 77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	Lodge of Instruction
June	9... 356	River Park	Streetsville	Divine Service
June	10... 73	St. James	St. Marys	Divine Service
June	10... 108	Blenheim	Princeton	To elect
June	10... 115	Ivy	Beamsville	Divine Service
June	10... 360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	Divine Service
June	10... 441	Westport	Westport	Divine Service
June	10... 516	Enterprise	Beachburg	Divine Service
June	11... 194	Petrolia	Petrolia	Divine Service
June	11... 17	St. John's	Cobourg	Divine Service
June	11... 216	Harris	Orangeville	To initiate
June	12... 47	Great Western	Windsor	Excursion
June	12... 77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	Divine Service
June	14... 229	Ionic	Brampton	To initiate
June	14... 513	Corinthian	Hamilton	Divine Service
June	14... U.D.	Espanola	Espanola	Divine Service
June	14... 382	Doric	Hamilton	Excursion
June	14... 412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	Divine Service
June	14... 491	Cardinal	Cardinal	Divine Service
June	14... 6	Barton	Hamilton	To install
June	15... 28	Mount Zion	Kemptville	Divine Service
June	15... 393	Forest	Chesley	Divine Service
June	15... 406	Spry	Fenelon Falls	Divine Service
June	15... 473	The Beaches	Toronto	Divine Service
June	15... 509	Twin City	Berlin	To install
June	15... 511	Connaught	Fort William	Divine Service
June	15... 37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	Divine Service
June	15... 63	St. John's	Carleton Place	Divine Service
June	15... 68	St. John's	Ingersoll	Divine Service
June	15... 76	Oxford	Woodstock	Divine Service
June	15... 420	Nipissing	North Bay	Divine Service
June	16... 225	Bernard	Listowel	Divine Service
June	16... 379	Middlesex	Bryanston	Divine Service
June	16... 441	Nitetis	Creemore	Divine Service
June	16... 506	Porcupine	Porcupine	Divine Service
June	17... 110	Central	Prescott	Divine Service
June	17... 143	Friendly Bros.	Iroquois	Divine Service
June	17... 184	Old Light	Lucknow	Divine Service
June	17... 201	Leeds	Gananoque	Divine Service
June	17... 362	Maple Leaf	Tara	Divine Service
June	17... 409	Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	Divine Service
June	17... 469	Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie	Divine Service
June	17... 487	Penewobikong	Blind River	Divine Service
June	17... 137	Pythagoras	Meaford	Divine Service

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
June 18	5	Sussex.....	Brockville.....	Divine Service
June 18	114	Hope.....	Port Hope.....	Divine Service
June 18	122	Belleville.....	Belleville.....	Divine Service
June 18	165	Burlington.....	Burlington.....	Divine Service
June 18	285	Seven Star.....	Alliston.....	Divine Service
June 18	302	St. David's.....	St. Thomas.....	Divine Service
June 18	498	King George V.....	Cobocenk.....	Divine Service
June 18	291	Dufferin.....	W. Flamboro'.....	Divine Service
June 18	239	Tweed.....	Tweed.....	Divine Service
June 19	378	King Solomon.....	London.....	Confer d'e within time
June 19	119	Maple Leaf.....	Bath.....	Divine Service
June 19	404	Lorne.....	Tamworth.....	Divine Service
June 19	122	Renfrew.....	Renfrew.....	Divine Service
June 21	193	Scotland.....	Scotland.....	Divine Service
June 23	14	True Britons.....	Perth.....	Divine Service
June 23	249	Caledonian.....	Midland.....	Divine Service
June 24	24	St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls.....	Divine Service
June 24	386	McColl.....	West Lorne.....	Divine Service
June 24	394	King Solomon's.....	Thamesford.....	Divine Service
June 25	69	Stirling.....	Stirling.....	Divine Service
June 26	41	St. George's.....	Kingsville.....	Divine Service
June 26	118	Union.....	Schomberg.....	Divine Service
June 26	386	Spry.....	Beeton.....	Divine Service
June 26	316	Doric.....	Toronto.....	To hold a picnic
June 28	376	Unity.....	Huntsville.....	Divine Service
June 28	505	Lynden.....	Lynden.....	At Home
June 30	485	Haileybury.....	Haileybury.....	Divine Service
June 30	168	Merritt.....	Welland.....	Divine Service..
June 30	453	Royal.....	Fort William.....	Divine Service
June 30	154	Irving.....	Lucan.....	Divine Service
June 30	234	Beaver.....	Clarksburg.....	Divine Service
July 2	300	Mount Olivet.....	Thorndale.....	Divine Service
July 2	458	Wales.....	Wales.....	Divine Service
July 5	344	Merrill.....	Dorchester.....	To install
July 5	345	Nilestown.....	Nilestown.....	To install
July 5	41	St. George's.....	Kingsville.....	To receive Myrtle L'ge, Michigan.
July 7	400	Oakville.....	Oakville.....	Divine Service
July 7	482	Bancroft.....	Bancroft.....	Divine Service
July 7	33	Maitland.....	Goderich.....	Divine Service
July 10	57	Harmony.....	Binbrooke.....	Divine Service
July 10	343	Georgiana.....	Toronto.....	Change night of mtg.
July 13	86	Wilson.....	Toronto.....	Confer d'e within time
July 13	165	Burlington.....	Burlington.....	Divine Service
July 14	413	Naphtali.....	Tilbury.....	Divine Service
July 14	291	Dufferin.....	W. Flamboro'.....	To initiate

Fraternally submitted,



Grand Secretary.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, and

Resolved, that the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Secretary presented the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

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Reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. &
A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It affords me great pleasure to present my official report on the condition of Masonry in Erie District No. 1 for the year ending June 24th, 1915. I desire first of all to express my thanks to the brethren of this district, for their confidence as shown in electing me to the highest office in the gift of the district; also for the many kindnesses shown me during my term of office and for the generous assistance which I have received from the Past Grand Officers and brethren while doing my official work.

I have visited the twenty-seven lodges in the district at least once, and some of them several times and find the work on the whole well done. In most lodges there was a fair attendance of Past Masters, and I would suggest that the Worshipful Master of each lodge encourage the Past Masters to attend regularly by assigning them a portion of the work at each meeting.

After consulting with R. W. Bro. Gatfield and others who are in touch with the work of this district, I would suggest that it be divided, as we now have twenty-seven lodges, and in all probability there will be applications for at least two more in the very near future.

Ontario Lodge No. 521, Windsor. On the afternoon of Monday, September 21st, I had the honour, at the request of the M.W. the Grand

Master, of acting for him at an especial communication of Grand Lodge, called for the purpose of Constituting and Consecrating Ontario Lodge No. 521, in the city of Windsor, when I was ably assisted by R. W. Bro. Gatfield, acting D.G.M., W. Bro. Baird, acting G.S.W.; W. Bro. Woodiwis, acting G.J.W.; W. Bro. J. R. Thompson, acting G. Sec.; W. Bro. Tolmie, acting G. Chaplain; V. W. Bro. Reid, acting G.D. of C.; V. W. Bro. McMaster, Assistant D.G. of C.; and about thirty other Past Masters and a large number of distinguished brethren of the district. In the evening I was ably assisted in the Installation Ceremony by R. W. Bro. Gatfield, V. W. Bro. Reid, W. Bro. Douglas and W. Bro. Wells. Ontario Lodge begins its career under very favourable conditions, and under the guidance of W. Bro. Caldwell and his officers will, I have no doubt, rapidly become one of the strong lodges of the district.

Lodge of Instruction.

On April 5th I held a lodge of instruction under the charter of Ontario Lodge No. 521, Windsor. At 3.00 p.m. the first degree was exemplified by Ontario Lodge. W. Bro. Cadwell was assisted by W. Bro. Eagle, W. M. of Rose Lodge; W. Bro. Snelgrove, W. M. of Windsor Lodge; and W. Bro. Winter, W. M. of Great Western Lodge. At 4.30 p.m. the second degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Hodgins, Kent Lodge No. 274, Blenheim, and his officers. Lodge was called from labour to refreshment at 6.00 p.m., when a social hour was spent. R. W. Bro. Wardrope, of Hamilton, and Rev. Bro. Jacks, of Detroit, were the principal speakers. I believe every brother went back to the lodge resolved to be a better Mason after listening to these addresses. Lodge resumed labour at 8.45, when the first part of the sublime degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Hope, of the Star of the East Lodge, Bothwell, and his officers. The last part was exemplified by St. George's Lodge No. 41, Kingsville. There were present about four hundred members and sixty Past Masters, and the work was exemplified in a faultless manner.

In addition to my regular official visits, I had the honour and pleasure of meeting the M. W. the Grand Master on his visit to Great Western Lodge on January 7th, 1914. This was one of the most pleasant as well as most profitable meetings that I had the pleasure of attending.

Official Visits.

Central Lodge No. 402, Essex. I visited this lodge on December 2nd, when the first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Hicks and his officers in a very able manner. The business of the lodge is well conducted, and the records well kept.

Century Lodge No. 457, Merlin. I visited this lodge on December 30th and installed the officers. W. Bro. McQuarrie and his officers are looking for a banner year. I look for improvement in this lodge.

Leamington Lodge No. 290, Leamington. I visited this lodge on January 8th and installed the officers. W. Bro. Bee and his officers closed the lodge in a very competent manner. I have visited this lodge twice since and witnessed some good work.

McCall Lodge No. 386, West Lorne. I visited this lodge on February 23rd. The W. Master and officers conferred a second degree in an impressive and satisfactory manner. The business of the lodge is well conducted, and the records are in good order.

Rodney Lodge No. 411, Rodney. I visited this lodge on February 24th, when the first degree was conferred in a very creditable manner by W. Bro. Shaw and his officers. They have some work ahead, the brethren are enthusiastic, and will, I hope, soon be among the best lodges in the district.

Xenophon Lodge No. 448, Wheatley. I visited this lodge on February 25th, when the first degree was exemplified by the Worshipful Master W. Bro. McGregor and his officers in a very creditable manner. The books and records are well kept by the Secretary.

Highgate Lodge No. 336, Highgate. I visited this lodge on February 26th, when the second degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Thornton and his officers in a very creditable manner.

Howard Lodge No. 391, Ridgetown. I visited this lodge on March 1st, when W. Bro. Clark and officers exemplified the second degree in an excellent manner. The business is well conducted, and the brethren are enthusiastic.

Star of the East Lodge No. 422, Bothwell. I visited this lodge on March 24th, when the third degree was conferred by W. Bro. Hope and officers in an excellent manner.

Lorne Lodge No. 282, Glencoe. I visited this lodge on March 25th, when the first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. McLean and officers in a splendid manner. Considerable credit is due the Secretary for the manner in which he performs his duties. The records are well kept and the dues all collected.

Florence Lodge No. 390, Florence. I visited this lodge on March 26th, and was accompanied by a number of the brethren from Star of the East Lodge, Bothwell. The third degree was conferred by W. Bro. Sinclair and officers in a very satisfactory manner. The excellent work of the deacons is worthy of mention.

Pynx Lodge No. 312, Wallaceburg. On the afternoon of March 29th I had the honour and pleasure, at the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, of dedicating the hall of Pynx lodge No. 312, and was ably assisted by R. W. Bro. Laurie, of Chatham; V. W. Bro. Reid, of Windsor; W. Bro. Miller, W. Bro. Baird, W. Bro. Woodiwiss, and a large number of W. Brethren from the district. In the evening I made my official visit, when the sublime degree was exemplified with great credit to the officers of the lodge. The brethren may well be proud of their new lodge room, which is well furnished.

Wellington Lodge No. 46, Chatham. I visited this lodge on April 12th. There was no degree work as the time was taken up with the regular business of the lodge, which was conducted by W. Bro. Guttridge and his officers in a first class manner. During the evening Past Masters' jewels were presented to W. Bro. Holmes, the oldest Past Master of the lodge, and W. Bro. Clements, the immediate Past Master. The brethren are very enthusiastic, and the books and records are well kept.

Thistle Lodge No. 34, Amherstburg. I visited this lodge on April 20th, when the third degree was exemplified in a splendid manner by W. Bro. Patten and his officers. During the evening W. Bro. Atkinson and Bro. Ridsdale were presented with jewels in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of their initiation into Thistle Lodge.

Tecumseh Lodge No. 245, Thamesville. I visited this lodge on April 26th. This lodge was visited on the same evening by Star of the East Lodge, Bothwell, when the officers of each lodge exemplified a second degree in an excellent manner.

Parthenon Lodge No. 267, Chatham. I visited this lodge on May 5th. Was received most cordially by W. Bro. Green and officers. No degree work, as it is their custom to give the entire time at regular meetings to the business affairs of the lodge, which was conducted in an excellent manner. Attendance very large. The books and records are well looked after by the Secretary.

King Edward Lodge No. 488, Harrow. I visited this lodge on May 6th, when two second degrees were exemplified by W. Bro. Brush and his officers in a very creditable manner. I also visited this lodge at other times and witnessed good work. The Secretary keeps the records in excellent shape.

Kent Lodge No. 274, Blenheim. I visited this lodge on May 10th, when W. Bro. Hodgins and his officers conferred the sublime degree in an able

manner. Attendance large. The books and records are kept by the Secretary in a manner which shows him to be a past master in the art.

Hammond Lodge No. 327, Wardsville. I visited this lodge on May 17th, and was accompanied by W. Bro. Bradley and a number of the officers and members of Star of the East Lodge, Bothwell. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Connley in a satisfactory manner. The attendance small. I am looking for improvement in this lodge, as they have some work to do and are enthusiastic about it. The Secretary is an enthusiastic Mason and a very competent officer.

Naphtali Lodge No. 413, Tilbury. I visited this lodge on May 25th. The first degree was exemplified in a splendid manner by W. Bro. Shaw and his officers. Although it was a very stormy night there was a large attendance. I have also witnessed good work by this lodge at other times. The brethren are very enthusiastic. The books and records are well kept.

Parvaim Lodge No. 395, Comber. I visited this lodge on May 28th, when the first degree was exemplified in an excellent manner. This was also their election of officers. Business conducted in an excellent manner. A very efficient Secretary.

St. George Lodge No. 41, Kingsville. I visited this, my mother lodge, on June 10th. I found the work well exemplified; attendance large; every officer enthusiastic, from the Worshipful Master down. A good attendance of Past Masters. Books and records are exceptionally well kept by W. Bro. Goodeve. During the evening a Past Master's jewel was presented to W. Bro. Malott, the oldest Past Master of the lodge.

Sydenham Lodge No. 255, Dresden. I visited this lodge on June 24th and installed the officers. I was assisted by R. W. Bro. Gatfield, V. W. Bro. Reid, W. Bro. Baird, and W. Bro. Woodiwiss. The new W. M., W. Bro. Hopper, closed the lodge in a perfect manner. This lodge is in a good healthy condition, and the brethren are enthusiastic.

As I had the honour and pleasure of visiting Great Western Lodge No. 47 on the occasion of the visit of the M. W. the Grand Master, and also of constituting and consecrating Ontario Lodge No. 521, and of visiting Windsor Lodge No. 403, and Rose Lodge No. 500, on different occasions, and witnessing all the lodges exemplifying the work, I did not think it advisable to make an official visit to any of them. I may say that the work is exemplified by the officers of the different lodges in Windsor in as perfect a manner as I have witnessed in the district. I cannot help but feel that the brethren of the city of Windsor are all "Past Masters" in the art of making you feel at home when attending their lodges.

In conclusion, I wish again to thank the brethren of Erie District No. 1 for the honour they have conferred on me, and while I have not mentioned in my reports the kind receptions and hospitable entertainment I have received from every lodge, I wish here to express my thanks and appreciation of them.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT HEALEY, D.D.G.M.,
Erie District No. 1.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Erie District No. 1, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd			Affiliations			Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance						
			Total No. of all Mem.	Decrease during year	F. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Regular	Emergent	Total				Aver. atten'ce of members																
34	Thistle.....	Amerherstburg.....	127	5	4	5	9	13	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	9	18	27	143	00	19	234	25	Dec. 30	1914	Good	Good	Yes	\$ 800 00	
41	St. George's.....	Kingsville.....	171	20	20	15	14	3	2	2	2	2	3	1	3	13	25	38	35	185	00	8	61	50	Dec. 27	1914	Excel't	Excel't	Yes	2880 00
46	Wellington.....	Chatham.....	262	2	16	9	6	2	1	4	1	4	1	3	11	22	32	177	00	73	203	10	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Good	Yes	2000 00		
47	Great Western.....	Windsor.....	615	56	15	45	51	20	1	4	1	4	1	5	12	42	51	00	230	00	26	750	00	June 24	1915	Good	Excel't	Yes	300 00	
245	Tecumseh.....	Windsor.....	78	9	2	7	6	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	14	4	18	25	110	00	5	57	75	Dec. 30	1914	Good	Good	Yes	400 00	
255	Sydenham.....	Dresden.....	82	2	8	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	6	9	2	11	15	105	00	2	207	25	Dec. 11	1915	Fair	Fair	Yes	1200 00	
267	Parthenon.....	Chatham.....	277	14	6	14	18	16	1	4	1	4	1	12	10	20	30	49	200	00	10	207	25	Jan. 31	1915	Good	Excel't	Yes	1500 00	
274	Kent.....	Blenheim.....	120	5	3	5	4	7	2	2	3	3	5	13	4	17	17	160	00	28	325	00	June 24	1915	Good	Bright	Yes	500 00		
282	Lorne.....	Glencoe.....	89	4	4	6	3	2	3	3	5	3	5	1	12	5	17	17	160	00	62	325	00	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Fair	Yes	300 00	
290	Leamington.....	Leamington.....	155	1	3	2	2	5	4	2	3	3	5	1	12	5	17	17	160	00	3	50	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	400 00	
312	Pynx.....	Wallaceburg.....	131	10	7	10	13	4	4	2	3	4	2	5	11	17	28	35	40	00	3	50	00	Dec. 22	1914	Fair	Fair	Yes	500 00	
327	Hammond.....	Wardsville.....	28	3	4	3	3	12	1	1	1	1	1	2	6	3	9	10	100	00	83	00	Feb. 22	1915	Good	Good	Yes	700 00		
336	Highgate.....	Highgate.....	61	14	3	14	12	12	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	13	14	23	100	00	21	71	35	Dec. 28	1914	Fair	Fair	Yes	500 00	
386	McColl.....	West Lorne.....	101	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	10	2	12	15	55	00	5	35	00	June 24	1915	Good	Good	Yes	500 00	
390	Florence.....	Florence.....	49	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	10	2	12	15	55	00	35	75	00	March 1	1915	Good	Good	Yes	500 00		
391	Howard.....	Ridgetown.....	110	9	2	6	7	11	3	3	2	2	1	12	3	15	20	60	00	35	78	00	June 24	1915	Bright	Bright	Yes	300 00		
395	Parvaim.....	Comber.....	60	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	11	15	59	00	13	78	00	June 24	1915	Fair	Fair	Yes	500 00		
402	Central.....	Essex.....	92	5	5	6	4	3	1	2	2	2	1	14	8	22	20	85	00	3	215	00	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Good	Yes	Board		
403	Windsor.....	Windsor.....	384	34	31	26	26	6	1	9	8	1	0	1	12	39	51	50	200	00	15	215	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	250 00	
411	Rodney.....	Rodney.....	44	2	1	2	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	10	1	11	9	20	112	50	June 7	1911	Fair	Fair	Yes	500 00			
413	Naphtali.....	Tilbury.....	85	4	5	4	4	6	1	4	1	4	1	1	12	1	13	15	23	00	21	107	50	Dec. 31	1914	Good	Good	Yes	210 00	
422	Star of the East.....	Bothwell.....	68	4	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	22	72	00	11	66	25	Dec. 31	1911	Good	Good	Yes	300 00	
448	Xenophon.....	Wheatley.....	44	2	2	2	1	2	1	5	4	1	1	1	11	11	12	26	00	11	5	37	00	Dec. 31	1914	Good	Good	Yes	300 00	
457	Century.....	Merlin.....	41	9	6	9	9	9	1	2	4	1	1	1	12	4	16	12	172	00	5	37	00	Feb. 19	1915	Good	Good	Yes	350 00	
488	King Edward.....	Harrow.....	81	12	2	12	11	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	11	22	172	00	1	30	00	June 25	1914	Good	Excel't	Yes	Board		
500	Rose.....	Windsor.....	69	15	3	12	12	10	3	1	12	1	1	1	10	13	23	18	91	00	6	30	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	Board	
521	Ontario.....	Windsor.....	70	23	23	24	22	22	3	1	12	1	1	1	12	16	28	40	91	00	6	30	00	June 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	Board	

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In presenting my report on the condition of Masonry throughout the St. Clair District No. 2 for the year 1914-1915, I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the great honour they conferred upon on me in electing me to the honourable office of District Deputy Grand Master, and to express my appreciation of the many acts of courtesy and kindness shown by the members everywhere throughout the district, and also wish to thank the brethren who accompanied me on a number of my visits. It has certainly been a year that I shall always look back upon with a great deal of pleasure, and I feel grateful for having had the opportunity afforded me of meeting so many members throughout the district, and I trust the many warm friendships I have formed may be lasting and beneficial. I also wish to say that I have found Masonry throughout St. Clair District No. 2 in a very flourishing condition. The various Masters and officers of all the lodges are well posted in their work.

My first official action after being installed was of a very sad nature, which was to officiate at the burial service of W. Bro. C. J. O'Neil, I.P.M. of Bismarck Lodge No. 419, the lodge which I have had the honour to represent in my official capacity. I had looked forward with a great deal of pleasure to his assistance on some of my visits, and it, therefore, was a considerable shock to me when he was electrocuted at Sarnia tunnel on October 1st, and I officiated at the burial service on Sunday, October 4th.

I had the pleasure of attending the Provincial Lodge of Instruction held in the Temple Building at Toronto in October, when the various degrees were exemplified by The Barton Lodge, of Hamilton

and Orient and Rehoboam Lodges of Toronto, and I certainly feel that I received a great deal of useful instruction therefrom.

Lodge of Instruction.

The District Lodge of Instruction was held under the auspices of Washington Lodge No. 260, Petrolia, January 14th, 1915. This, I believe, was one of the most successful lodges of instruction ever held in the district. There was an exceptionally large turnout of the brethren, the register showing 176 names from the various lodges throughout the district, and there were no less than nine P.D.D.G. Ms. present.

The W. M. and officers of Washington Lodge No. 260, Petrolia, exemplified the E.A. degree. The W. M. and officers of Tuscan Lodge No. 437, Sarnia, exemplified the F.C. degree, and the W. M. and officers of Beaver Lodge No. 83, Strathroy, exemplified the M. M. degree. The work in those three degrees by the officers of the lodges mentioned was of an exceptionally high order, especially that of Beaver Lodge No. 83, and I believe the large attendance and interest manifested in the Lodge of Instruction at Petrolia was a great help to the success of my official visits.

I wish to mention here that some of the officers and members whom it was my pleasure to meet in my official capacity have since volunteered and left to fight for the Empire of which we are all so proud to form a part, and I know the brethren will all join with me in wishing them a safe return.

I took occasion on each of my official visits, as well as by personal correspondence, to press home the necessity of contributing to the Belgian Relief Fund, and I sincerely trust my efforts were fairly successful.

Official Visits.

Arkona Lodge No. 307, Arkona, November 26th. There was a large turnout of the brethren and I had the pleasure of meeting three P.D.D.G. Ms. in the persons of R. W. Bros. Brodie, Suther-

land and Tolman, besides a number of visitors from other lodges in the district. The W. M. and his officers exemplified the E. A. degree in a most perfect manner, the W. M. being particularly well skilled. The books are well kept, and Arkona Lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

Ionic Lodge No. 328, Napier, November 27th. There was a fairly good turnout of the brethren and the E. A. degree was exemplified. The work of the W. M. was good, but the work of the other officers could be improved by practice. The books are well kept and the members are enthusiastic and are making fairly good progress.

Havelock Lodge No. 238, Watford, December 1st. There was a good turnout of the brethren as well as a number of visitors from other lodges in the district. The W. M. and officers exemplified the F. C. degree in a most efficient manner. The officers and members are all very enthusiastic, and the books are well looked after.

Tuscan Lodge No. 437, Sarnia, Wednesday, January 20th. I visited the above lodge officially. There was a very large attendance at the meeting. The W. M. and officers exemplified the E. A. degree. The work was exceptionally well done, and from the Auditor's report Tuscan Lodge is progressing very rapidly. It is strong numerically and financially, and appears to be working in perfect harmony assisted by some exceptionally expert P.Ms. I received a very cordial reception and my visit was most pleasant, as I always feel very much at home at Tuscan Lodge. The books are well looked after.

Cassia Lodge No. 116, Thedford, Monday, January 25th. I visited Cassia Lodge on above date and W. M. McKenzie and his officers exemplified the E. A. degree in a highly satisfactory manner, notwithstanding this was their first meeting after installation. There was a large attendance and also a number of visitors from Arkona, and I enjoyed my visit and spent a very pleasant evening.

St. Clair Lodge No. 425, Sombra, Tuesday, January 26th. I visited St. Clair Lodge on above date and the W. M. and officers exemplified the F. C. degree in a very impressive manner. St. Clair lodge appears to be in a flourishing condition owning a well-appointed lodge room, and the members appear to be very enthusiastic. The books are well looked after by the Secretary.

Forest Lodge No. 263, Forest, Wednesday, January 27th. I visited Forest lodge on above date. The W. M. and officers exemplified the F. C. degree in a most perfect manner. There was a good turnout, also a number of visitors from Arkona, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Burns Lodge No. 153, Wyoming, Thursday, January 28th. I visited Burns Lodge on above date. The W. M. and officers exemplified the E.A. degree very impressively. P.M. John Paul exemplified the F. C. degree in his usual faultless manner. Burns Lodge has a good staff of officers, owns its own lodge room, and is making good progress. The books are well looked after by the Secretary.

Victoria Lodge No. 56, Sarnia, Tuesday, February 2nd. I visited Victoria Lodge officially on above date and the W. M. and his officers exemplified the E. A. degree. The work was faultless and showed a great deal of care and practice. Victoria Lodge being the oldest lodge in the district has always maintained a high standard in Masonic work, and the present officers are all well fitted to conduct its affairs. There was a large turnout of brethren and I spent a very pleasant evening.

Alexandra Lodge No. 158, Oil Springs, February 4th. I visited Alexandra Lodge on above date, and the W. M. and officers exemplified the E. A. degree. The work was well done, and the brethren appeared to be very enthusiastic. The books are well kept by the Secretary, and Alexandra Lodge is making good progress.

Beaver Lodge No. 83, Strathroy, Friday, February 5th. I visited Beaver Lodge on above date and received a hearty welcome. The W. M. and officers exemplified the M. M. degree in a most impressive and perfect manner. The lodge room is exceptionally well appointed and the Strathroy brethren are to be congratulated for their enterprise in the building and laying out of same. There appears to be a degree of good fellowship existing among the officers and brethren of Beaver Lodge which speaks well for its future, and they made my visit very pleasant. They have a splendid Secretary in the person of V. W. Bro. Richardson.

Bismarck Lodge No. 419, Sarnia, Monday, February 8th. I visited the above lodge officially on above date. There was a good turnout of the brethren, and the W. M. and officers exemplified the E. A. degree in a most satisfactory manner. The officers all had their work up, particularly the Junior Warden who delivered the lecture exceptionally well. I am pleased to say that Bismarck Lodge is making most satisfactory progress under concurrent jurisdiction.

Leopold Lodge No. 397, Brigden, Thursday, February 16th. I visited the above lodge officially on above date. There was a good attendance, besides a number of visitors principally from Sarnia lodges. The lodge intended to exemplify the E. A. degree, but the candidate could not be present, so the W. M. and officers opened and closed in the three degrees. A most pleasant evening was spent and Leopold Lodge appears to be in fine shape.

Petrolia Lodge No. 194, Washington Lodge No. 260, Petrolia, February 18th. This was a joint meeting of Petrolia and Washington Lodges, and there was an exceptionally large turnout of the brethren, besides a large number of visitors from the other lodges of the district. Washington Lodge exemplified the E. A. degree in a fine manner; the Junior Warden's lecture deserves special mention. After the E. A. degree the W. M. and officers of Petrolia Lodge exemplified the M. M. degree most impressively. The Petrolia brethren apparently had

taken great pains to make my visit most pleasant, and they certainly succeeded, as a most enjoyable evening was spent by all the brethren. The Junior Wardens of both lodges deserve great praise for the manner in which they entertained the brethren. The brethren of Petrolia and Washington lodges both deserve great credit for the manner in which they exemplified the work of the evening, and also for the enthusiasm that prevails among the members. Both lodges apparently are in a very flourishing condition.

St. John's Lodge No. 81, Mount Brydges, Tuesday, February 23rd. I visited St. John's Lodge on above date. There was a good attendance and a ballot was passed on two applicants. The ballot was favourable for a Mr. Lee, but unfavourable for another candidate. Conditions in this lodge were very unsatisfactory at the time of my visit, as there are apparently two factions opposing each other, and the affairs of the lodge were under investigation by Grand Lodge at the time. I made a special report to the Grand Master regarding the affairs of St. John's Lodge, and same were investigated under the personal supervision of the Grand Master in Strathroy, on Saturday, April 17th, when everything was straightened out satisfactorily, and St. John's Lodge given the opportunity to make Masonic progress.

Moore Lodge No. 294, Courtright, Thursday, February 25th. I visited Moore Lodge on above date, but, unfortunately, the W. M. was taken to the Sarnia General Hospital to undergo an operation on the day before my visit. There was a fair attendance of brethren, and they opened and closed in the three degrees. There were a number of visitors from Sarnia Lodges and a very pleasant evening was spent.

Inwood Lodge No. 503, Inwood, Monday, March 1st. I visited Inwood Lodge on above date. This is the youngest lodge in the district and is in a very flourishing condition. There was a large turnout of the brethren. The W. M. and officers exemplified the M. M. degree in a most perfect

and impressive manner. All the officers had apparently taken great pains in perfecting themselves in their respective duties. The lodge has now a membership of forty-three, which shows wonderful progress, and apparently they are all very enthusiastic.

Alvinston Lodge No. 323, Alvinston, Wednesday, March 10th. I visited Alvinston Lodge on above date. The W. M. and officers exemplified the F. C. degree in a very efficient manner. There was a good turnout of the brethren who appear very enthusiastic, and Alvinston Lodge is in a flourishing condition. The books are well kept by the Secretary.

Huron Lodge No. 392, Camlachie, Friday, March 26th. I visited Huron Lodge on above date, and there was a good attendance of the brethren. The W. M. and officers exemplified the F. C. degree in a most perfect manner. A number of the brethren from Sarnia accompanied me and we spent a very enjoyable evening. Huron Lodge apparently is making very fine progress.

Dufferin Lodge No. 364, Melbourne, Wednesday, March 31st. I visited Dufferin Lodge on above date and the W. M. and officers exemplified the M. M. degree. The work was well done, particularly that of the W. M., and I am pleased to state that Dufferin Lodge is making good progress.

From the above you will see that I visited every lodge in the district officially during the year, and I wish to state here that I appreciate very much the many acts of kindness that I received. The brethren entertained me right royally on all my visits, and I only regret that space will not allow me to set forth the facts in each individual case.

I found Masonry in a very flourishing condition and the work was done in all cases in such a manner as to leave no cause for criticism. I, therefore, embraced the opportunity of trying to

impress upon the brethren the social obligations of the craft. My remarks in all cases were apparently well received.

I again wish to thank the brethren for the distinguished honour they conferred upon me, and I sincerely trust when my term of office has expired they will feel that their confidence was not misplaced.

I also wish to state that if at any time in the future I can be of any assistance to any of the brethren it will afford me great pleasure, and I trust that my successor in office will receive the same kind treatment from St. Clair District No. 2 as has been accorded to me.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. McCORMACK, D.D.G.M.,
St. Clair District No. 2.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in St. Clair District No. 2, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- ber- ship		Degr's Confid			Affiliations	Restorations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'ts	Total of all arrearages	Date of last C. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance					
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.					M. M.																
56	Victoria	Sarnia	249	18	21	15	9	1	3			1	10	8	18	26	137	05	29	192	25	Dec. 27	1914	A 1	Good	Yes	1800 00	
81	St. John's	Mount Brydges	86	1	2	1	1	1	1				12	12	17		26	146	06	Dec. 31	1914	Good	Impr'g	Yes	1800 00			
83	Beaver	Strathroy	132	2	2	2	4	3	2	2	1		2	1	13	25	30	00	8	43	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Fair	Yes	1000 00	
116	Cassia	Thedford	43	2	2	2	2	2	2	2			8	8	12		43	00	15	49	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	450 00	
153	Burns	Wyoming	115	4	4	4	4	4					1	13	13	15	5	00	40	240	00	Jan.	1915	Good	Fair	Yes	1800 00	
158	Alexandra	Oil Springs	82	6	8	10	8		1				1	9	7	16	15	19	00	35	225	00	Dec.	1914	Good	Good	No	2800 00
194	Petrolia	Petrolia	150	6	6	10	6	7	2	2			2	14	4	18	35	162	00	25	91	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	266 00
238	Havelock	Watford	74	2	3	5	4	1	1	2			1	12	12	18	38	00	6	200	00	June 24	1914	Good	Good	Yes	400 00	
260	Washington	Petrolia	143	19	10	15	13	10	3	1	2	6	2	12	7	19	30	10	00	9	30	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	266 00
263	Forest	Forest	96	5	1	2	5	6	4	0	1	0	0	6	14	2	16	40	101	00	15	June 30	1915	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
294	Moore	Courtright																				No returns						
307	Arkona	Arkona	49	4	3	3	3	1					12	1	13	20	59	00	2	4	75	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Good	Yes	200 00	
323	Alvinston	Alvinston	77	6	3	6	8			2			1	11	3	14	23	70	00	8	30	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	550 00
328	Ionie	Napier	53	5	4	5	6	4					1	13	13	18	53	00	13	86	00	Jan. 1	1915	Good	Good	Yes	250 00	
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	50	3	3	4	4	1	1	3	4		1	11	2	12	24	62	50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	700 00			
392	Huron	Cambridge	70	7	2	7	6	5					2	11	4	15	25	00	14	100	00	Jan.	1915	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	
397	Leopold	Brigden	67		2	3	3	1					3	9	3	12	20			6	25	00	Jan.	1915	Fair	Fair	Yes	Yes
419	Bismarek	Sarnia	70		5	4	2	5	2	1	10		1	9	2	11	15					Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Fair	Yes	Yes	
425	St. Clair	Sombra	89	1	4	4	4	5		1			2	10	4	14	19	31	00	28	142	25	Dec. 29	1914	Good	Good	Yes	2500 00
437	Tuscan	Sarnia	247	26	4	20	17	18	6	1			3	11	13	24	45	325	00	23	125	00	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Good	Yes	Yes
503	Inwood	Inwood	44	6	1	5	5	1					1	13	4	17	23	52	00			Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	350 00	

LONDON DISTRICT No. 3.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I take pleasure in submitting my report for London District No. 3 for the year 1914-1915.

I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the cordial and hearty reception given me and to express to them my appreciation of the kindness shown me on every occasion.

Masonry in this district is in a prosperous and flourishing condition, and I have not heard a single discordant note throughout the district.

There was a large attendance of members and visitors at my official visits and the brethren are taking a keen interest in the advancement of the craft.

Throughout the district I urged the various lodges to exchange fraternal visits and where convenient confer a degree. I am pleased to report that this suggestion has been acted upon by a number of lodges and the result has been a greater degree of efficiency as well as a better feeling among the brethren.

The officers in every lodge, with one exception, were able to work the degrees. The work is uniform throughout the district. I regret to say that, at the time of my visit, the Master of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 171 did not appear to be able to confer the degree and the work was done by a Past Master.

In March, 1915, I duly attended a meeting of a number of leading brethren of the district at the Tecumseh House, when the Board of Benevolence of Grand Lodge presented R. W. Bro. Dr. Fred. Guest, of St. Thomas, with binoculars. Dr. Guest who was about to leave for service at the front,

stated he was pleased to have the privilege of serving his country, he thanked the brethren most cordially for the honour done him, and he hoped to be of service to those who had the misfortune to be injured while at the front.

In May the M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to issue a dispensation for the institution of a new lodge at Komoka, and on June 11th I duly instituted a lodge at that place. There was a large attendance of brethren present on the occasion and the new lodge starts out under most favourable auspices. The brethren selected "Myra" as the name of this lodge, which has met with the approval of the Grand Master. Owing to illness I was not able to make my official visit there on the 21st of June, but I deputed R. W. Bro. J. W. Wallace to make the visit for me and he reports that the officers conferred the first degree on several candidates in a very satisfactory manner. We wish Myra Lodge every prosperity and trust it will be a power for good in Komoka and vicinity.

Fraternally submitted,

U. A. BUCHNER, D.D.G.M.,
London District No. 3.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in London District No. 3, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

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			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.						M. M.	Regular	Emergent										Total		
20	St. John's	London	318	8	11	20	18	10	4	7	9	1	121	315	65	559	80	21	307	50	Jan. 27	1915	7777 87	Good	Yes	Joint	
42	St. George's	London	188	18	6	18	17	22	4	10	3	1	11	9	20	40	110	00	6	25	08	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	500 00	
44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	366	13	11	9	12	4	1	10	3	5	14	12	26	58	455	00	8	27	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	1000 00	
64	Kilwinning	London	255	13	18	22	16	1	2	2	3	3	9	11	3	40	120	00	6	18	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	500 00	
94	St. Mark's	Port Stanley	77	4	7	5	9		1	1	2	10	7	17	16				5	25	00	Jan. 2	1915	Good	Yes	250 00	
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	94	5	2	5	6	4				1	13	11	14	27	55	00	5	25	00	Jan. 1	1915	Good	Yes	2000 00	
120	Warren	Bingol	44	1	5	6						1	10	11	1	16	60	00				Jan. 1	1915	Good	Yes	1200 00	
140	Malahide	Aylmer	135	10	6	8	7	7	2			2	12	3	15	30			2	60	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00	
171	Pr. of Wales	Lawrence Station	47	3	2	3	3					1	2	13	1	14	15		5	10	00	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Yes	None	
190	Belmont	Belmont	77	1	3	3	2					1	12	12	25	125	00	27	150	25	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	1000 00		
195	Tuscan	London	138	9	6	9	10	5	1	1	3	1	110	2	12	25	198	90	8	32	50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	500 00	
204	St. Johns	London	429	22	23	13	27	3	3	4		4	11	9	20	75	520	70	20			June 24	1914	Good	Yes	500 00	
232	Cameron	Dutton	92	10	6	5	5	2	2	2		13	2	15	20			8	45	50	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	500 00		
280	Doric	Lolo	69	4	4	3	3	3	1	1	3	12	12	19		69	00	14	48	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	700 00		
300	Mount Olivet	Thorndale	59	4	4	3	3	3				12	12	17		12	58	00	12	58	00	July 5	1915	3000 00	Good	Yes	3500 00
302	St. Davids	St. Thomas	317	1	9	8	14		1	4	2	4	14	9	23	58	358	00	160	535	50	Dec. 27	1914	2730 72	Good	Yes	Joint
330	Corinthian	London	221	16	3	15	15	19	1	1	3	12	12	5	17	56	275	00	6	36	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	100 00	
344	Merrill	Dorchester	57	10	2	8	6	6	2	1	1	11	5	16	14	26	00	3				Dec. 27	1914	Good	No		
345	Nilestown	Nilestown	68	7	5	5	5	1	1			12	12	14	25							Dec. 24	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00	
358	Delaware Val.	Delaware	69	4	3	4	4	1		2		1	13	1	14	20	20	00	33	113	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	500 00	
378	Kg. Solomon	Bryanstown	247	8	4	7	11	9	1			3	11	7	18	50	60	00	6			Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	250 00	
379	Middlesex	London	46	4	4	4	4	1				13	13	16	10	10	10	40	00			Feb.	1915	Good	Yes	500 00	
380	Union	London	306	16	16	21	26	3	2	2		2	13	1	14	57	119	90	78	287	50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	200 00	
388	Henderson	Hiderton	47	3	1	3	2	1				10	10	12		10	12		5	45	00	Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	200 00	
394	Kg. Solomon	Thamesford	81	5	4	4	4	2	1			1	11	1	12	18	81	00	12	112	50	June	1915	284 37	Good	No	2100 00
399	Moffatt	Harrietsville	49	1						1		12	12	12					16	101	00	Dec.	1914	347 79	Good	Yes	None
UD	Myra	Konoka	19						1			1	1	2	16								Good	Yes	None		

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. &
A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to present my report on the
condition of Masonry in South Huron District No.
4.

I wish first to thank the brethren of the dis-
trict for electing me to the important office of
District Deputy Grand Master. I have endeavoured
to faithfully perform my duties and I trust my
efforts have not been in vain.

I appointed W. Bro. F. A. Copus, Tecumseh
Lodge, Stratford, District Secretary, and Bro. Rev.
J. B. Fotheringham, Maitland Lodge, Goderich,
District Chaplain.

I regret that I was unable to arrange for holding
a Lodge of Instruction. The difficulty in this dis-
trict is to obtain a large enough lodge room suffi-
ciently central so as not to bring the expense of
attending too great on the smaller lodges. I hope
a Lodge of Instruction can soon be arranged for in
the district as it is a number of years since one has
been held.

I made my official visits in all cases at the
regular meetings and was everywhere received most
heartily. I explained the work as presented at the
Lodge of Instruction held at Toronto last fall for
District Deputies and while I found the greatest
uniformity prevailing in the work throughout the
district, in every case where suggestions were made
for improvement in the details, they were always
gladly received and adopted.

On all my visits I was entertained most royally
as the representative of the M. W. the Grand Mas-
ter. At these banquets many eloquent expressions
of the loyalty and patriotism of the craft were
heard in the speeches of the brethren. All were
in full sympathy with the noble work being carried

on by Grand Lodge in its efforts to relieve the sufferings of the unfortunate Belgian people. I urged the lodges to respond to the M. W. the Grand Master's appeal for this Belgian Relief Fund and I am pleased to report that most of the lodges have done so in full, though several have been unable to send their full quota owing to the many local appeals for similar aid.

Many of the lodges have members who are showing their loyalty to their King and country by serving at the front. Some lodges publishing honour rolls of these on their monthly notices, with addresses given so that the brethren at home may remember them by letters and gifts.

It is with deep regret I report the death of V. W. Bro. Alexander Robertson, a prominent member of the craft in this part of the jurisdiction. He died in his seventy-fourth year at Alexandra Hospital, Goderich, on Thursday, May 20th, 1915, the remains being interred with Masonic honours in Colborne cemetery. He was made a Mason in old Goderich Lodge No. 33, and later affiliated with Morning Star Lodge, Carlow, of which lodge he was a Past Master, and was later appointed Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of Canada. During his long Masonic life he was a great help to both Morning Star and Maitland Lodges, where he is greatly missed by the brethren.

On December 29th, 1914, I had the honour of installing the officers of Maitland and Morning Star Lodges at a joint installation, held in Morning Star Lodge, Carlow. Also on June 24th I installed the officers of Clinton Lodge No. 84, Clinton.

Official Visits.

Zurich Lodge No. 224, Hensall. I made my first official visit during my term of office to this lodge on January 25th. There being no degrees to confer, the W. M., W. Bro. Hoggarth, opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees. This lodge has had no candidates for some time but the prospects are brighter. W. Bro. Scruton takes an

active interest in the lodge and greatly helps the younger officers among whom there is good material for the Master's chair. W. Bro. Jas. Bonthron, who had been Secretary for a number of years, is succeeded by Bro. Jas. W. Bonthron, in whose hands the books will still be well looked after.

Doric Lodge No. 233, Parkhill. I visited Doric Lodge on January 26th, and was heartily received by R. W. Bro. Dawson, P.D.D.G.M., and many others. There being no candidate, the W. M., W. Bro. Gillies, opened and closed the lodge in the several degrees and exemplified the second degree. There was a large attendance of members. W. Bro. Dr. Frazer is an efficient Secretary.

New Dominion Lodge No. 205, New Hamburg. On February 1st I paid my official visit to this lodge. The W. M., W. Bro. Marty, opened the lodge and conducted the business, but not being prepared to confer a degree W. Bro. Ireland assumed the chair and conferred the first degree in a very able manner. I strongly advised the W. M. to get the officers together for rehearsals even if no candidates coming forward, and thus keep up the interest of the junior officers.

Stratford Lodge No. 332, Stratford. I paid my official visit to Stratford Lodge on February 8th. This meeting was most successful, the large and well furnished lodge room being filled with members and visitors. The W. M. and officers conferred a first degree in a faultless manner, each officer doing his work letter perfect and with a dignity and style which surely impressed the candidate. The charge was given by the I.P.M. in a most impressive manner. The choir rendered the musical part of the ceremony admirably, which greatly added to the beauty of the degree. W. Bro. Dempsey is an efficient Secretary. The books are well looked after. The W.M., Dr. O. A. Cannon, has since gone to the front to serve his King and country.

Irving Lodge No. 154, Lucan. I visited this lodge on February 25th and was most cordially received by a large attendance of brethren. The W.

M., W. Bro. Murdy, conferred the second degree on a well prepared candidate in an able manner. This lodge has initiated a number of fine young men during this term, and its prospects are the brightest. R. W. Bro. Chris. Hodgins, P.D.D.G.M., takes a deep interest in the lodge's welfare and greatly assists the younger officers and brethren.

Blyth Lodge No. 303, Blyth. I paid my official visit to Blyth Lodge on March 2nd. There was a good attendance of officers and members. The first degree was conferred by the W. M., W. Bro. Grainger, and his officers in a very able manner. The Wardens did their work exceptionally well, and the future material for the Master's chair assures the success of this lodge. The Secretary's books are well kept by W. Bro. Hamilton.

Clinton Lodge No. 84, Clinton. I made my official visit to Clinton Lodge on March 5th, accompanied by a number of Goderich brethren. The W. M., W. Bro. Rorke, and his officers conferred the sublime degree on an exceptionally well prepared candidate in an excellent manner. Each officer did his work perfectly, the deacons being particularly worthy of mention. The W. M. is very thorough in all his work and the credit for the excellent degree work of this lodge is due to him. The Secretary's books are in good hands. On June 24th I had the pleasure of again visiting Clinton Lodge and installing the W. Master and investing the officers for the ensuing year.

Elma Lodge No. 456, Monkton. I visited Elma Lodge officially on March 11th. The lodge was opened and closed in the various degrees and the first degree exemplified by W. Bro. Shine and his officers. This lodge has not had any candidate for some time, but the officers are well up in their work, the Junior Warden's lecture being particularly well given. A number of visitors from Tudor Lodge, Mitchell, were present.

Tecumseh Lodge No. 144, Stratford. On March 19th I paid my official visit to Tecumseh Lodge. The officers and members of Maitland

Lodge had been invited to pay a fraternal visit on this occasion, so I was accompanied by more than fifty of the brethren from Goderich. A most enjoyable evening was spent. The work of the evening was a third degree which was most impressively given by the W. M., W. Bro. Smith Shaw, and his officers. A candidate raised to the third degree at a previous meeting was also examined in open lodge as to his proficiency. All candidates in Tecumseh Lodge are required to pass an examination in the third degree. The musical ceremony is also well given in this lodge by the quartette, which adds greatly to the beauty and impressiveness of the degrees. A pleasant event took place when W. Bro. F. A. Copus, on behalf of Tecumseh Lodge presented Maitland Lodge with a beautiful set of tracing boards. W. Bro. A. C. Hunter, the W. M. of Maitland Lodge, gratefully acknowledging the gift. R. W. Bro. Geo. Malcolm, P.D.D.G. M., who has done so much for Masonry in this district, gave an interesting and instructive address on "The Empire." The evening was one long to be remembered.

St. Mary's Lodge, No. 493, St. Marys. On March 22nd I officially visited this lodge and was received by a large attendance of members and visitors. W. Bro. Grainger, the W. M., and his staff of young officers conferred a first degree in an excellent manner. W. Bro. Grainger is a good Master and does his work most impressively. I was pleased to meet and hear R. W. Bro. Laurie, P.D.D.G.M., of Chatham, who was present at the meeting. This young lodge is prospering and the best fraternal spirit exists between St. James' and St. Mary's lodges, many members of St. James' Lodge being present at the meeting.

Granton Lodge No. 483, Granton. I officially visited Granton Lodge on March 29th. The lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees and the first degree conferred by W. Bro. Hill and his officers in a very able manner. V. W. Bro. W. Dann is an energetic worker for the good of this lodge and the younger officers and members derive much instruction from him.

Tudor Lodge No. 141, Mitchell. I made my official visit to this lodge on March 30th, and was cordially received by a large attendance of members and a number of visitors, several members of Elma Lodge having driven over from Monkton. There is a fine spirit of fraternalism shown by the brethren of these two lodges, Elma Lodge owing much of its success in its early days to the assistance given by the Mitchell brethren. R. W. Bro. Elliott and V. W. Bro. Shaver take a deep interest in the lodge's welfare. The work of the evening was a first degree which was well done by W. Bro. Hughey, supported by a good staff of officers. The prospects of this lodge are good.

Britannia Lodge No. 170, Seaforth. On April 5th I officially visited this lodge. There was a good attendance and the W. M., W. Bro. Holmes, conferred the first degree very acceptably. R. W. Bros. Reid and Ballantyne still take the deepest interest in the lodge and render every assistance possible. This lodge is doing good work and has added many good men to its membership this term. W. Bro. L. C. Jackson makes a good Secretary and keeps a neat set of books.

Lebanon Forest Lodge No. 133, Exeter. On April 26th I made my official visit to this lodge, and as this was the first meeting in the new lodge room, there was a large attendance of members. Lebanon Forest Lodge now has beautiful quarters, lodge room and ante-rooms all being elegantly furnished. The third degree was conferred by W. Bro. Murray and his officers in a most impressive manner. This lodge is doing good work. R. W. Bros. Dixon and Collins, P.D.D.G.Ms. and V. W. Bro. Heaman were present and gave interesting addresses. This lodge has a number of Past Masters who take a deep interest in its work. W. Bro. Creech is an efficient Secretary.

Wilmot Lodge No. 318, Baden. I visited this lodge officially on April 30th. This is one of the smallest lodges of the district but the Masonic spirit shown by the brethren and the degree work exemplified might well be taken as examples by

other lodges. In the absence of the W. M. the first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Bechtel, who showed a deep appreciation of the spirit of the ritual in his work of the evening. The Junior Warden's lecture was well given and it was with deep regret that I learned a week after my visit of the sudden death of the Junior Warden, Bro. Meredyth Holt. He was a clever young officer and would have been a great help to Wilmot Lodge in the future.

St. James Lodge No. 73, St. Marys. My second visit to St. Marys was on May 3rd, when I officially visited St. James Lodge No. 73. I was again pleased to note the harmony prevailing between the two lodges. There was a large attendance of members and visitors, taxing the capacity of the lodge room. The work of the evening was the third degree which was well done by W. Bro. Deviney and his officers. During the evening I had the pleasure of presenting a Past Master's jewel the gift of the lodge, to the I.P.M., W. Bro. McCrae, an old and highly esteemed member. W. Bro. Sinclair is a most capable Secretary.

Milverton Lodge No. 478, Milverton. I visited this lodge on May 24th, the only regular meeting night available, and although a holiday, was received by a good attendance of members. The W. M., W. Bro. Smith opened and closed the lodge in the several degrees, and with his officers conferred the second degree in a very satisfactory manner. The Secretary, Bro. Zoeger, has an exceedingly neat set of books.

Morning Star Lodge No. 309, Carlow. May 26. My visit to Morning Star Lodge was almost like going to my mother lodge as the members of Morning Star and Maitland Lodges hold joint installation of officers annually, and my personal acquaintance with all the officers and members made me feel at home. This lodge has for years had a reputation for good work, and amongst its members are many expert craftsmen. W. Bro. Pfrimmer the present W. M., and his officers conferred the second degree

in a very commendable manner. W. Bro. Varcoe, who for years has been Secretary, has retired from office, and the books are now in the hands of W. Bro. Dr. Weir, who, no doubt, will make a good Secretary.

Maitland Lodge No. 33, Goderich. The date fixed for my official visit to this, my mother lodge, was June 8th, at the regular meeting. I purposely left this for my last official visit so that I might be able to impart any information I gained on my other visits to the officers and brethren at home. Unfortunatley I was unable to make the visit owing to a death of a near relative that morning. As I have attended almost all of the regular meetings during the term I can report probably better on the condition of Masonry here than other places where only an official visit is made. Masonry has been prospering in Goderich for some time, but particularly since the building of the new temple, and during the term of W. Bro. Dr. A. C. Hunter as Master. W. Bro. Hunter is an excellent officer and is in the chair for a second term. He is supported by a good staff of officers and the degree work at every meeting is of a high order. The average attendance of members at meetings is the largest in the district. The P.Ms are always willing to assist in the work, among the most active being W. Bro. Chrystal, W. Bro. Parsons and W. Bro. Taggart. Bro. J. Straiton is faithful in the office of Secretary and keeps a model set of books.

I have now almost completed my term of office and I wish to again thank the brethren of the district for their courtesy and kindness to me on every occasion. I found harmony existing throughout the district, I trust I leave it the same, and that my successor may find Masonry in South Huron District prospering, as I have found it.

Fraternally submitted,

H. C. DUNLOP, D.D.G.M.,

South Huron District No. 4.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in South Huron District No. 4, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Deg's Conf'd		Affiliations		Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, Other Causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees?	Insurance				
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33	Maitland.....	Goderich.....	188	9	12	13	9	1	1	1	1	1	2	12	11	23	48	191	95	16	123	00	June 24	1915	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00	
73	St. James.....	St. Marys.....	126	10	10	13	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	75	50	13	197	00	April 12	1915	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
84	Clinton.....	Clinton.....	80	4	2	2	3	5	1	3	3	1	1	12	6	18	24	75	50	13	197	00	Jan. 1	1915	Fair	Good	Yes	600 00	
133	Lebanon Forest.....	Exeter.....	110	6	4	3	6	3	1	3	5	1	1	11	1	12	24	92	00	10	50	50	Jan. 1	1915	Good	Good	Yes	400 00	
141	Tudor.....	Mitchell.....	167	2	3	3	3	1	1	5	6	2	12	11	14	20	10	114	00	10	114	00	Dec. 28	1914	1000 00	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
144	Tecumseh.....	Stratford.....	263	4	8	9	10	8	1	5	6	2	2	11	22	31	100	00	21	165	00	June 24	1915	Good	Good	Yes	2500 117		
154	Irvine.....	Lucan.....	91	7	6	6	6	1	1	9	1	1	1	10	6	16	15	28	00	23	60	00	Jan. 1	1915	100 00	Good	Good	Yes	Nil
170	Britannia.....	Seaforth.....	122	11	13	11	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	13	25	15	300	00	3	46	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
205	New Dominion.....	New Hamburg.....	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	10	10	10	10	10	10	00	..	..	..	July 7	1914	Fair	Good	No	400 00
224	Zurich.....	Hensall.....	78	2	5	2	1	1	2	4	1	1	3	11	13	11	89	00	20	55	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	No	400 00		
233	Doric.....	Parkhill.....	57	4	6	2	2	1	1	4	1	1	1	13	2	15	57	00	20	55	00	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Good	No	400 00		
303	Blyth.....	Blyth.....	84	4	4	3	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	23	80	00	16	59	00	Jan. 30	1915	Fair	Good	Yes	400 00	
309	Morning Star.....	Carlow.....	54	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	9	1	10	10	..	..	..	Dec. 31	1914	Fair	Good	Yes	600 00	
318	Wilmet.....	Baden.....	27	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	2	13	9	22	38	204	10	33	239	50	Dec. 31	1914	Good	Bright	No	Hall Tr's	
332	Stratford.....	Stratford.....	190	1	8	11	13	1	1	2	3	2	13	2	15	14	67	00	3	52	00	Dec. 27	1914	172 86	Fair	No	150 00		
456	Elma.....	Monkton.....	55	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	13	13	13	15	14	3	16	50	June 24	1915	Fair	Good	No	250 00			
478	Milverton.....	Milverton.....	72	4	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	6	6	6	18	48	00	3	16	50	April 3	1915	600 00	Good	Good	Yes	500 00	
483	Granton.....	Granton.....	55	6	7	7	5	2	1	1	1	1	11	5	16	20	21	118	00	21	118	00	Dec. 30	1914	Good	Good	Yes	Nil	
493	St. Mary's.....	St. Marys.....	74	8	7	8	12	2	1	1	1	1	11	5	16	20	21	118	00	21	118	00	Dec. 30	1914	Good	Good	Yes	Nil	

NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting my official report of the condition of Masonry in North Huron District No. 5, I wish to record my appreciation of the honour bestowed upon me by the brethren of this district in selecting me as their representative and to thank them for the kind, courteous and hearty welcomes extended to me while engaged in the discharge of my duties and on all other occasions when I had the pleasure of meeting them.

Freemasonry in this district seems to be in a healthy and prosperous condition. The work is fairly uniform throughout and at least one-third of the number of lodges can be classed as "excellent" in the matter of the rendition of the three degrees. The Worshipful Masters and officers endeavour to discharge their duties faithfully and well. The Secretaries are painstaking and capable, but two or three of them seem to overlook promptly advising the D. D. G. M. in regard to matters of importance, such as the returns to Grand Lodge, deaths of members, etc. The dues are fairly well paid up, but a few brethren are dilatory in this respect and the local Secretaries should take definite action in regard to arrearage where they are of long standing.

In the matter of the selection of candidates we are fortunate, as the brethren realize that it is the moral character of the man that is considered by the craft, and in presenting applications due regard is used. Quality desired rather than quantity but both sought if the material is desirable.

It is with pleasure I refer to the lectures that I have heard delivered by the Wardens, and in the matter of assisting the Worshipful Masters the Past Masters of the respective lodges are contribu-

ting to the welfare of the craft in general. Enthusiasm and friendly rivalry exists but perfect harmony prevails as no Masonic charge has been reported to me during the term of office now expiring.

I am somewhat disappointed in not being able advise that the Belgian Relief Fund has been paid in full by this district, but on bringing the matter again before the delinquent lodges I was assured that the cause was most worthy of support, the need great and that energetic measures would be undertaken to collect the assessments overdue. Some, however, informed me that owing to many of their members being in the West and having contributed where they were located they were unable to press them for the local lodge contribution.

No Lodge of Instruction was held during the year. Bernard Lodge, Listowel, very kindly offered me their lodge room and their assistance for this purpose but I did not deem it expedient to hold a lodge of instruction as the railway companies reduced their number of trains on the different lines and the service so affected would have caused considerable inconvenience to the brethren attending, also the lodges mostly in need of such instruction would not have attended.

Due observance is given to the social side of Freemasonry in North Huron District No. 5, and the banquets were excellent. The addresses and speeches were of a very high order and breathed of deep patriotism. In my remarks I discussed the great European struggle and its connection with Freemasonry and endeavoured to draw moral lessons from its present state and final issue. Also to impress upon the brethren the desire to follow the principles of our esteemed order and conduct themselves as good men, tried and true, working diligently for the uplift of humanity and to live creditably with all men.

Our attention naturally turns to the stupendous and lamentable war now being waged on the continent, which was caused by the inordinate ambition of the Kaiser of Germany and his fol-

lowers in their efforts to become dominant factors in the government of nations, but in the hearts of our absent brethren who are giving their motherland their services in the line of battle for the principles of freedom and justice there is intense love for the honour, integrity and future of our empire. Our brethren have already demonstrated their fearlessness and bravery and have become prominent in the despatches of the Generals in command of the allied forces.

St. John's Lodge No. 284, Brussels. Visited March 30th, 1915. The W. M., assisted by Past Masters, conferred the third degree in an impressive manner, after which discussions were opened in each degree and rulings were given. The officers are efficient, the Secretary's books are well kept and as the brethren take a keen interest in lodge matters, the outlook is good.

Moravian Lodge No. 431, Cargill. Visited May 28th, 1915. The W. M. conferred the F. C. degree well and impressively. A discussion followed on this particular degree and also the other degrees and rulings were given. The brethren have lately moved into new, commodious and comfortable quarters. The prospects are bright as the brethren are enthusiastic. The officers are efficient and the Secretary's books are well kept.

Forest Lodge No. 393, Chesley. Visited January 26th, 1915. The W. M. conferred the second degree in an impressive manner which left very little room for criticism. However, a discussion was opened and a few minor points were corrected in the matter of the work. Sentiments relative to Masonic intercourse received prominence in remarks made by local brethren and the visiting brethren also recommended fraternizing with their neighboring lodges. Outlook good. R. W. Bro. Ross takes an active interest in the welfare of this lodge.

Fordwich Lodge No. 331, Fordwich. Visited April 29th, 1915. The E. A. degree was exemplified by the W. M. well on one of the oldest members of the lodge. The lodge is fairly well appointed

and under the supervision of R. W. Bro. Hutcheson I have faith in the work being well looked after. He, as Secretary, performs his duties faithfully and diligently. Future seems good.

Hanover Lodge No. 432. Hanover, Visited October 30th, 1915. The W. M., assisted by P. Ms., conferred the first degree on two candidates. This was my first official visit and I was well received by the brethren who did much to make it a very pleasant one. After a discussion on the three degrees I made a plea on behalf of the stricken Belgian race and it was promptly responded to by the brethren present who, when the hat was passed, contributed about one-half of the amount required. The officers are capable and willing, the books are in good hands and the future is promising.

Burns Lodge No. 436, Hepworth. Visited May 4th, 1915. The first degree was exemplified by the W. M. A discussion followed and rulings were given. Removals of officers have caused considerable inconvenience to the craft here and considering such a handicap the work is fairly well done. I urged the officers to take a more active interest in the welfare of the lodge, particularly the P.Ms. The lodge room, though small, is cosy and the brethren of Burns Lodge are always ready to welcome a brother Mason well. The Masonic spirit prevails to a marked degree.

Northern Light No. 93, Kincardine. Visited May 5th, 1915. Beautiful weather assisted in producing a large and enthusiastic gathering of brethren at this meeting. Excellent address were delivered by home and visiting brethren. The M. M. degree was conferred by R. W. Bro. McPherson ably, impressively and correctly, and in such a way as to leave no room for criticism. A special feature of the evening and a particularly pleasant one, was the presentation of a Past Master's jewel to W. Bro. Malcolmson, by the D.D.G.M. Bro. Malcolmson replied in a fitting way. The Secretary's books are well kept and indicate a healthy treasury.

Old Light Lodge No. 184, Lucknow. Visited June 18th, 1915. An Emergent meeting was held for my convenience in visiting Old Light Lodge. As there was no candidate and the W. M. was unable to be present there was no work but the three degrees were discussed at length. I was assured by R. W. Bro. Patterson that the W. M. and officers are efficient in their work. Small attendance and weather very inclement.

Bernard Lodge No. 225, Listowel. Visited March 26th, 1915. The M. M. degree was conferred by the W. M., assisted by R. W. Bro. Campbell, in a most impressive manner and correctly. R. W. Bro. Campbell, now in the sunset of life, is still a very zealous and energetic Mason. The W. M. is a diligent member and confers his work well. The lodge is well appointed and in several addresses following the meeting I realized that Bernard Lodge has among its members staunch and enthusiastic Masons.

Aldworth Lodge No. 235, Paisley. Visited May 21st, 1915. An Emergent meeting was held by the W. M. and he, assisted by P. Ms., conferred the first degree. This lodge was at a low ebb a few years ago but I am pleased to report that it is now flourishing. Quite a large attendance graced the meeting and patriotism in my own lodge finds all members ardent supporters. Harmony is evident and future is bright and promising. The Secretary's books are well kept and the officers are diligent.

Port Elgin Lodge No. 429, Port Elgin. Visited March 25th, 1915. The W. M. opened up in the three degrees but there was no work as the candidate was not ready for advancement. Discussions on the three degrees were created and many points settled. I advocated fraternizing with neighboring lodges to stimulate the enthusiasm that is necessary. Brethren in Port Elgin are particularly good fellows and I look for a bright future for Port Elgin Lodge.

St. Lawrence Lodge No. 131, Southampton. Visited March 2nd, 1915. The second degree was conferred by the W. M. well and correctly and the

third was conferred by W. Bro. H. Bell and his father, Wor. Bro. Bell, on his brother, Bro. Charles Bell. This in itself was a pleasant feature but the presence of seventeen P. Ms. was also noteworthy. There was a large and enthusiastic gathering of Masons here who are royal entertainers and hospitable. A movement is being inaugurated to improve the lodge equipment and building. Prospects excellent.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 362, Tara. Visited April 26th, 1915. The E. A. degree was correctly conferred by the W. M., Bro. Shannon, in a very impressive manner. He is supported by an excellent staff of officers whose zeal for the institution cannot be doubted. Good fellowship prevails and a brother Mason is well hailed and met by the Tara brethren. There was a large attendance and those present, although the night was very warm, were amply repaid for coming. The Secretary is efficient and is particularly prompt in his duties. Prospects are excellent.

Teeswater Lodge No. 276, Teeswater. Visited May 6th, 1915. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Ferguson, assisted by the I.P.M. Several points in connection with the degree were discussed and rulings were given. Harmony prevails and I consider the outlook fair.

Bruce Lodge No. 341, Tiverton. Visited May 25th, 1915. The W. M. exemplified the first degree in an impressive manner. He is supported by a capable and efficient staff of officers. The attendance was small but marked enthusiasm was shown in the discussion of each degree. Bruce Lodge is in good hands. The Secretary attends well to his books and the zeal of the brethren for the craft is prominent. Outlook good.

Cedar Lodge No. 396, Wiarton. Visited February 23rd, 1915. The second degree was conferred on two candidates by W. Bro. Kessilring who is efficient in his work. He was assisted by W. Bro. Sawyer, who is one of the best ritualists in the district. W. Bro. Kessilring receives excellent sup-

port from the P.Ms. of Cedar Lodge and his secretary is the right man in the proper place. His books are well and carefully kept and he is very prompt. This lodge has the largest number of members in the district and the outlook for the future is excellent. The Secretary reports a healthy treasury.

Saugeen Lodge No. 197, Walkerton. Visited February 9th, 1915. The W. M., Rev. Walker, conferred the third degree on a well coached candidate in a faultless manner. He was assisted by R. W. Bro. Clark, a pillar of Masonry in Saugeen Lodge, who has attended nineteen or more annual visits of the D.D.G.M. to his lodge. W. Bro. Walker is supported by a good staff of officers who are zealous in their work. He receives support from the P.Ms. Saugeen Lodge is prospering and they are doing good work. Perfect harmony prevails.

Wingham Lodge No. 286, Wingham. Visited by R. W. Bro. Fowler, of Teeswater. His report is as follows:—"The W. M., W. Bro. Ritchie, exemplified the second and third degrees. His work was excellent, practically word perfect, and the candidate well prepared. The supporting officers were thorough in their work and I highly commend the work done. There was a fair attendance and a genial atmosphere pervaded the festivities of the evening."

I would further add that I regret exceedingly being unable to make an official visit to Wingham Lodge as I was called away on matters of deep importance just the day previous and R. W. Bro. Fowler, of Teeswater, when requested by phone, to relieve me, did so without any hesitation. I take this means of thanking him for his kindness.

Forest Lodge No. 162, Wroxeter. Visited March 29th, 1915. The W. M. conferred the F. C. degree impressively and well. The candidate was well prepared. The W. M. is supported by some good officers. Very inclement weather prevented a large gathering but this only seemed to increase

the enthusiasm of the brethren in the discussions that followed the rendition of the work. The ancient usages and customs are fairly well followed in this lodge, but through removals of the principal officers the lodge has suffered some. This, however, has produced more zeal and the brethren are more enthusiastic. Harmony prevails, outlook good.

In conclusion I wish to again thank the brethren of this district for the honour conferred upon me and while I was obliged, in order to fulfil my duties, to make sacrifices, still I will cherish in my memory the most pleasant recollections of a very happy term of office as the representative of North Huron District No. 5. I bespeak for my successor the same kind and cordial treatment afforded me, and wish him all prosperity in a district where peace and good fellowship reign and harmony predominates.

Fraternally submitted,

F. C. RYAN, D.D.G.M.,

North Huron District No. 5.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in North Huron District No. 5, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'r's	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance				
			Increase during year	Decrease during year	B. A.	F. C.						M. M.	Regular	Emergency									Total			
93	Northern Light	Kincardine	123	7	10	10	4	2	3	1	1	3	14	9	23	28	141	00	Dec. 27	1914	Excel't	Yes	\$1850 00			
131	St. Lawrence	Southampton	83	3	8	10	10	1	1	1	1	3	11	5	16	25	82	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00			
162	Forest	Wroxeter																								
181	Old Light	Lucknow	106	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	11	1	12	78	00	25	108	50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1200 00	
197	Saugeen	Walkerton	66	4	4	3	2	2	2	2	2	10	11	11	20	10	00	3	25	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	500 00	
225	Bernard	Listowel	114	3	3	3	5	8	1	1	1	12	10	4	14	18	16	90	00	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Yes	700 00		
235	Aldworth	Paisley	90	5	6	4	4	4	1	1	1	12	12	3	15	13	24	122	25	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	No	300 00		
276	Teeswater	Teeswater	45	3	3	2	4	1	1	1	1	12	12	6	18	11	10	00	2	42	50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	250 00
281	St. John's	Brussels	91	3	3	1	1	1	1	5	2	12	12	1	13	15	78	50	11	42	50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	250 00
286	Wingham	Wingham	106	3	4	5	6	1	3	2	2	2	10	11	11	20	65	00	26	128	25	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	300 00
331	Fordwich	Fordwich	57	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	10	12	12	21	47	00	14	65	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	1500 00	
341	Bruce	Tiverton	73	2	4	3	1	1	2	2	1	10	3	13	25	25	00	25	130	00	Dec. 27	1915	Bright	Yes	1500 00	
362	Maple Leaf	Tara	61	3	3	4	2	1	1	1	1	10	5	15	17	62	00	7	51	75	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	500 00	
393	Forest	Chesley	65	5	5	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	19	25	00	20	60	June 24	1915	Fair	Yes	500 00	
396	Cedar	Warton	138	7	8	9	7	4	1	4	1	1	13	4	17	16	144	50	11	97	50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	800 00
429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin	59	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	4	17	16	67	00			Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Yes	350 00
431	Moravian	Cargill	55	3	4	5	5	4	1	1	1	1	12	5	17	15	61	00	14	61	00	June 24	1915	Fair	Yes	None
432	Hanover	Hanover	69	4	4	5	5	4	1	1	1	1	10	5	15	22	37	00	3	77	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	650 00
436	Burns	Hepworth	39	1	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	2	11	2	13	12	44	25	8	77	85	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Yes	400 00

WILSON DISTRICT No. 6.

To the most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is my pleasure to report to you on the condition of Masonry in Wilson District during the year 1914-15.

I wish first to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Grand Master for his expression of confidence in appointing me to perform the duties of D.D.G.M., during the absence of R. W. Bro. Sutherland, who soon after accepting office offered his services to his country's cause and was accepted for overseas service.

I attended the Provincial Lodge of Instruction held in the city of Toronto, for the benefit of the D.D.G.Ms. and had a pleasant as well as instructive time.

I have visited every lodge in the district except Blenheim No. 108, and R. W. Bro. Sutherland will no doubt report his visit to that his home lodge. I wish to express my appreciation to the brethren who on various occasions accompanied me, and to the brethren of the various lodges for their many acts of courtesy and kindness, thereby rendering the duties for a second term extremely light and pleasant in every way.

We were all delighted to welcome our official D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Dr. Sutherland back among us, although only for a few short weeks, he having been granted leave of absence while his wounded arm is allowed to heal. He installed the officers in his mother lodge St. John No. 104, Norwich, and was welcomed by representatives from nearly every lodge in the district. His experiences at the front were very interesting and instructive to all.

Belgian Relief Fund.

I am pleased to report that the lodges generally speaking have contributed their quota to this very worthy cause. Some have overpaid their per capita, others have failed to make up this amount.

Dedication.

On March 29th, 1915, I had the honour, by authority of the M. W. the Grand Master, of dedicating the lodge rooms of Frederick Lodge No. 217, Delhi. Further reference is made to this ceremony under official visits.

Lodge of Instruction.

The 6th annual Lodge of Instruction in Wilson District No. 6 was held in the Masonic Hall, Tillsonburg, on Wednesday, May 19th, 1915, under dispensation granted to King Hiram Lodge No. 78. The meeting was the largest in point of numbers, and the most successful, that Wilson District has ever had, there being about four hundred Masons present. One thing that made the gathering particularly pleasing was the presence of the M. W. the Grand Master, William David McPherson, whose personality and fluent speeches won the esteem of all the brethren present and insures for him the warmest of welcomes should he again visit Wilson District.

The meeting authorized a cablegram to be sent to R. W. Bro. Sutherland who had been wounded and at present in hospital in England, expressing sympathy and best wishes for speedy recovery, and also that a copy of the cablegram be sent, with the following letter of sympathy, to his mother, Mrs. Sutherland, of Norwich.

Tillsonburg, May 19th, 1915.

"Mrs. Sutherland,

Norwich, Ont.

Dear Madam:

Wilson District No. 6, in a Lodge of Instruction held at Tillsonburg on the 19th inst., at which

Most Worshipful Brother Wm. D. McPherson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario was present, unanimously decided to send a cablegram to your beloved son, Right Worshipful Brother D. M. Sutherland, our very highly esteemed District Deputy Grand Master, who is at present in hospital in England, having been wounded in battle while fighting in Flanders to uphold the best traditions of our King and Empire. While we deeply regret his present inability, we rejoice with you that his life has been spared, and hope and pray that he may be one of the number who will come back to us when this dreadful war is over."

Following is a copy of the cablegram sent:

"To Major Donald Sutherland,
Hospital, Shorncliffe, England.

The Grand Master and the brethren of Wilson District, assembled today, send heartfelt sympathy and best wishes for your speedy recovery.—H. McQueen."

The following reply was received:

Folkestone, May 21st.

"H. McQueen,—Many thanks for kind message. Much appreciate your good wishes.—D. M. Sutherland."

The work in all three degrees was of a very high order and merited the praise which the Grand Master bestowed. St. John's Lodge No. 68, Ingersoll, exemplified the first degree, Victoria No. 359, the second degree, and King Solomon's No. 43, Woodstock, the third degree. After the proceedings in the lodge had closed the brethren were entertained at a banquet in the Town Hall, and it was a fitting ending to the greatest Lodge of Instruction yet held in Wilson District.

Official Visits.

On November 2nd, 1914, I paid an official visit to Springfield Lodge No. 259. The meeting

was well attended, visitors being present from London, Aylmer, Tillsonburg and Harrietsville. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Lindsay in a very able manner. This lodge is in a flourishing condition and deserves a great deal of credit for the way they respond to a call for benevolence. The matter of the Belgian Relief Fund was heartily endorsed and their quota of a sum equal to \$1.00 per head was nearly all raised in a few minutes. The books are neatly and accurately kept by the Secretary and Treasurer.

I visited Vittoria Lodge No. 359 on November 27th, 1914. This lodge has recently decorated their rooms and put down a new carpet, and all in very cosy quarters. The annual election of officers was held, after which the officers opened and closed in the three degrees in a very creditable manner. I took up with them the matter of relief for the Belgians, and I am satisfied they will give a hearty response to the appeal. W. Bro. Raynes accompanied me in this visit and gave a patriotic address.

Scotland Lodge No. 193, Scotland, Ont. I visited on November 30th, 1914. After the officers were elected for the ensuing year the second degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Crooks. The books are very neatly kept by R. W. Bro. Messecar, and finances in satisfactory condition. The fund for the relief of the Belgians is being properly looked after and a full quota is assured from this lodge.

On December 1st, 1914 at a joint meeting of Oxford Lodge No. 76 and King Solomon's Lodge No. 43, I visited the Woodstock lodges. I was welcomed by a good attendance of both lodges, W. Bro. Dr. Heath and his officers of King Solomon's Lodge put on the first degree in an excellent manner, and W. Bro. Dickerson and officers of Oxford Lodge worked the third degree in equally good form. These are the two strongest lodges in Wilson District and both have equally bright prospects for the future.

Burford Lodge No. 106, was officially visited on December 28th, 1914. I had the honour of install-

ing the officers. No other work being on hand a pleasant hour was spent after the lodge was closed. This lodge is taking in some good material and prospects are very fair.

I officially visited Oriental Lodge No. 181, Port Burwell, on December 29th, 1914, and installed their officers for the ensuing year. Unfortunately for this lodge they have a small territory to draw from and material seems scarce to make competent Masters. W. Bro. Burwell, an old veteran, was again placed in the East. They have a very promising S. W., and with a little more enthusiasm in some of the younger members they will make good.

On Wednesday, December 30th, 1914, I paid an official visit to King Hiram Lodge No. 78, Tillsonburg, and installed Bro. McIntyre in the chair of King Solomon, and invested the other officers for the ensuing masonic year. The Auditor's report was very gratifying. The lodge now owns 209 shares of stock in the Masonic Hall Co., Limited, of Tillsonburg, the par value being \$20 per share. They also have a nice balance in cash on hand and in a few more years this lodge will be able to do a great work for the good of Masonry in general and the town of Tillsonburg in particular.

Norfolk Lodge No. 10, Simcoe, was visited on January 5th, 1915, and it was my pleasure to install their officers and present the retiring Master W. Bro. Church, with a Past Master's jewel. The annual banquet was a success in every way. The speeches were chiefly of a patriotic nature. Senator McCall, R. W. Bro. Atkinson and others delivered addresses and recitations, and the orchestra kept the company enthused with patriotic music. The Secretary has the business end of the lodge in good shape.

King Hiram Lodge No. 37 and St. John's Lodge No. 68, Ingersoll, held a joint meeting on January 14th, 1915. I was invited to make an official visit and install the officers of both lodges at this meeting. A fair representation of the member-

ship of each lodge was present and a very enjoyable evening was spent together. Both lodges have very efficient staffs of officers, and harmony prevails. I had also the pleasure of presenting P. Ms'. jewels to the retiring masters.

Wilson Lodge No. 113, Waterford, was visited on Wednesday, January 27th, 1915. A number of visitors from Scotland, Brantford and Simcoe were present, and a good attendance from Wilson Lodge itself proves that this lodge is awake and thriving. They have had another prosperous year under W. Bro. Wilcox and report no brethren in arrears for dues. I had the pleasure of installing the Master, W. Bro. Johnston, and investing the other officers for the ensuing year. In this I was ably assisted by R. W. Bro. Ross and the Past Masters. I had also the pleasure, on behalf of the lodge, of presenting a P. Ms'. jewel to the retiring Master.

St. John's Lodge No. 82, Paris, Ont. I officially visited this lodge on February 9th, 1915. The proceedings were arranged to bid farewell and give a send-off to the W. M. Capt. L. Lapierre who had joined the military forces and was in training in London. The Captain, in his military costume, occupied the East, and exemplified the work in his usually efficient manner. On behalf of the lodge I had the honour of presenting him with the jewel of a Past Master. The lodge was honoured by a fraternal visit from R. W. Bro. Cowan, of Galt, a brother-in-law of Bro. Lapierre.

Frederick Lodge No. 217, Delhi, Ont. I paid an official visit to this lodge on March 29th, 1915. Arrangements having previously been made, and at the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, I dedicated the lodge. In this pleasant duty I was ably assisted by R. W. Bro. Crysler, V. W. Bro. Thomson and other members of Grand Lodge. Frederick Lodge can now boast of being one of the best equipped lodges in this district. They have not only pleasant and convenient quarters in which to carry on their work, but a spacious banqueting hall and kitchen. For this the lodge was specially

indebted to Bro. Morgan who owns the building and through whose generosity to the craft it became possible for Frederick Lodgee to secure this splendid arrangement for carrying on their work. After the proceedings were finished in the lodge room the brethren exemplified the social side of Masonry in a splendid banquet.

Vienna Lodge No. 237, was visited on April 23rd, 1915. Several of the brethren from Tillsonburg accompanied me. Vienna Lodge is naturally proud of their new rooms as they are very cosy, and have every facility for making the brethren comfortable; they have also built a barn and shed to accommodate horses and automobiles. The lodge books are models of neatness and the Secretary, R. W. Bro. Clutton, is a source of great strength to the lodge. W. Bro. McLean and his officers exemplified the third degree in a creditable manner. This lodge is making satisfactory progress and prospects are good for future success. I was also much pleased to see Bro. Griffin, a man over 81 years of age, who stayed to the end of the meeting, though it was pretty late. He is and always has been a very enthusiastic Mason.

Erie Lodge No. 149, Port Dover, was visited on April 26th, 1915. This lodge is making steady progress and doing splendid Masonic work. The third degree was exemplified in a very able manner by the officers of the lodge, after which the brethren repaired to the adjoining banquet hall where they did ample justice to the good things provided. Touching reference was made and general sorrow expressed at the news in the morning papers that R. W. Bro. D. M. Sutherland had been wounded on the battle field in Belgium.

My visit to Thistle Lodge No. 250, Embro, was paid on April 29th, 1915. This lodge has moved into larger and better quarters and has a nicely equipped place of meeting. They are taking in a splendid lot of young men and have excellent prospects for the future. I was accompanied on this visit by R. W. Bro. Geo. Naylor and W. Bros. Wallace and McKay, old Embro boys now living in Ingersoll.

St. John's Lodge No. 104, Norwich, was visited on May 5th, 1915. The third degree was exemplified on two well posted and bright young candidates. W. Bro. McWhirter, was ably assisted in the work by V. W. Bro. Moles and W. Bro. Haight. The Secretary's duties are very ably looked after by W. Bro. Poldon.

Walsingham Lodge No. 174, Port Rowan, was visited on May 27th, 1915. The first degree was exemplified in a satisfactory manner by P. M., W. Bro. Foster and the officers of the lodge. The Secretary, W. Bro. Biddle, is a very efficient officer, and not only has his books in neat and attractive condition, but reports only the small sum of six dollars in arrears. I was accompanied by several brethren from King Hiram Lodge No. 78, and all enjoyed the hospitality extended to them at the banquet that followed. W. Bro. Raynes entertained the gathering with recitations which were greatly appreciated.

On Friday, May 28th, 1915, I paid an official visit to Plattsville Lodge No. 178. The officers exemplified the second degree on a bright, well posted candidate. The Junior Warden gave the lecture and the Secretary read the charge. It was intimated to me that in the near future the lodge would secure better quarters in which to meet and this is very desirable, because in order to get into the present place one has to go up an outside stair on to a roof and across it into the ante-room, and there the space is far too limited.

I paid an official visit to Oak Branch Lodge No. 261, Innerkip, on June 24th, 1915. The officers performed the opening and closing of the three degrees in a satisfactory manner but no degree work was exemplified. I was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Geo. Naylor, of Ingersoll, and W. Bro. Raynes, of Tillsonburg. A pleasant evening was spent at a banquet after the lodge closed.

Fraternally submitted,

H. McQUEEN, Acting D.D.G.M.,
Wilson District No. 6.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Wilson District No. 6 from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Aver atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance		
				Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.						M. M.	Regular	Emergency										Total	
10	Norfolk	Sincoe	150	9		6	7	5	2				1	9	8	17	83	00	6	12 00	June 24	1914	Good	Yes	600 00	
37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	153	2		4	3	2	3		1		2	10	6	16	75	00	26	118 60	Jan. 14	1915	Good	No	800 00	
43	K. G. Solomon	Woodstock	307	16		2	12	11	13	4			1	14	15	29	35	150	00	25	200 00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1600 00
68	St. John's	Ingersoll	256	23	22	10	7	6	6	6			2	13	11	24	35	120	00	21	171 00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1500 00
76	Oxford	Woodstock	182	7		4	8	5	12	3			3	12	7	19	35	506	50	11	88 00	June 24	1915	Excellent	Yes	800 00
78	King Hiram	Tillsonburg	116	7		7	7	6	7	6			3	11	6	17	26	126	00	12	55 00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	350 00
82	St. John's	Paris	107	4		4	5	6					1	11	2	13	18	10	00	21	76 50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	2000 00
101	St. John's	Norwich	89	9		1	9	7	5					1	13	6	19	16	18	18	180 00	June		Good	Yes	500 00
106	Burford	Burford	59	6		5	4	1						15	4	19	14	31	00	8	103 61	Dec.		Good	Yes	200 00
108	Blenheim	Princeton	154	11		6	14	11	12				3	13	7	20	26	512	00	9	26 10	Jan. 28	1915	Excellent	Yes	650 00
113	Wilson	Waterford	90	5		2	5	1	4				2	10	4	14	21				\$125 00		1915	Excellent	Yes	1500 00
149	Erie	Port Dover	82	2		2	3	4	5				1	10	10	25	210	75	9	26 10	Jan. 20	1915	Good	Yes	800 00	
174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	49	2		2	2	2	1				1	12	1	13	16	49	00	4	12 00	June 29	1915	Fair	Yes	1200 00
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	12	7		1	1						2	14	1	15	15			7	56 40	Dec. 27	1915	V. good	Yes	250 00
181	Oriental	Port Hurwell	87	2		7	7	8					2	12	2	11	26		22	99 25	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Yes	360 00	
193	Scotland	Scotland	57	7		2	7	6	5	3			1	11	5	16	21						1914	Good	Yes	400 00
217	Frederick	Delhi	65	9		3	6	5	3				1	11	2	19	18	45	00	5	49 50	Feb. 9	1915	Good	Yes	500 00
237	Vienna	Vienna	72	9		2	7	10	7	1			2	12	2	14	14	45	00	17	215 00	Dec. 27	1915	Good	Yes	1000 00
250	Thistle	Embro	58	11		9	10	8	1	3			1	12	2	14	14	45	00	17	215 00	June 24	1914	Good	Yes	500 00
259	Springfield	Springfield	89	7		7	6	7					1	13	3	16	20	7	50	23	148 50	Dec. 14	1911	Good	Yes	1100 00
261	Oak Branch	Innertkip	39	1		4	1	1					1	11	2	13	10	45	00	3	21 00	May 15	1915	Good	Yes	1100 00
339	Victoria	Victoria	56	1		3	1	1					1	11	1	14				10	10 00	Jan. 30	1915	Good	Yes	600 00

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have very great pleasure in submitting for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry and work in Wellington District during the past year. I desire to express my sincere thanks to the brethren for the honour and distinction bestowed upon me in electing me to this high and important office and for the many courtesies received at their hands; especially am I thankful to those who have so kindly assisted me in my work and accompanied me on my visits. I have endeavored to discharge my duties with a full appreciation of the confidence placed in me by the brethren and of the responsibility of the office. My task has been made easy and pleasant by the uniform kindness and hearty co-operation extended me throughout the district.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. Dr. W. S. McKay, of Galt Lodge No. 257, Galt, District Secretary, and W. Bro. Rev. J. W. J. Andrew, of Grand River Lodge No. 151, Berlin, District Chaplain, both of whom have rendered valuable services and discharged their various duties with much credit to themselves and I am sure with satisfaction to all.

I am glad to report harmony and progress throughout the whole district. I have not been called on to settle any differences during my term of office. The work witnessed in the different lodges is of a uniform and general high order. In a few cases, well known to the lodges themselves, a better attendance of the officers and a rehearsal or two would make all the improvement anyone could desire. The Worshipful Masters and officers generally, are enthusiastic and anxious to do their work as perfectly as possible in accordance with Grand Lodge requirements, capable of managing

their respective lodges with skill and ability, men of strong personality, willing to learn, eager to serve and impressed with the responsibility of their position. The members generally are taking active part in the business and general work of the lodge. The quality of membership added during the year appears to be excellent and the prospects most encouraging.

I have endeavored to the best of my ability to stimulate the desire to render the work in as impressive a manner as possible so as to bring out the full beauty and solemnity of the ceremonies. To make the work uniform throughout the district. To try to induce a better attendance of brethren, as good attendance means good work. To encourage visits between the different lodges and so promote social intercourse and mutual interchange of fraternal feelings. Suggested that all read the Grand Lodge report, so as to get a better understanding of our order and particularly recommended the reading the report on the Condition of Masonry. Directed the attention of the members and officers generally to a study of the Constitution, particularly to those parts relating to balloting and the general management of the lodge. Requested their best efforts towards the reduction of amount of outstanding dues. Enlarged as far as time would permit on the principles of Masonry, its high ideals of manhood, charity, a generous response to the Belgian Relief Fund and patriotism. That our order, founded on the purest principles of moral rectitude and having its origin in the wants and necessities of man, consists not merely in forms and ceremonies but in our being intelligent, just and upright men. That Masonry must exist in the heart and conscience or it does not exist at all. That it is valuable only in so far as it exercises a salutary effect on our hearts, minds and conduct, and becomes incorporated into our daily lives. That it means something to be a Mason. That Masonry stands for ideals, for thinking and for character. That success built on anything else than human welfare is not worthy of accomplishment. That the requirements of a Mason are more than of other

men. That never did the world demand more of us than it does today. That Masonry depends for its influence among men and for its prestige in the world, for its very life, on the power that lives and manifests itself in the examples of its members. Urged them to realize fully what Freemasonry is and try to be living examples of its teachings and principles. To live up to our obligations, ever remembering the solemn ceremonies through which we have passed, and that never did the Institution more completely represent the higher things in life, the things worth while, than it does today.

I wish to commend the Secretaries of the lodges upon the thoroughness of their work which I have found in a very satisfactory state. Nearly all the lodges have a P. M. or member of long standing as Secretary, who has become familiar with the work and is a source of strength to the W. M. and greatly aids in the progress of the lodge. They are doing their best to keep the dues well collected and are very attentive to all matters pertaining to their lodges. I have found them exceedingly courteous and attentive to all correspondence. As a rule, they have been in office for years, showing their work is satisfactory and appreciated by their brethren.

I was pleased to notice the careful manner in which the candidates were prepared for receiving the respective degrees. From examinations I witnessed, they should have no difficulty in proving themselves anywhere. To a few lodges that did not require an examination of the candidate after receiving the third degree, I suggested that this be done and I have strong reason to believe that hereafter every lodge in the district will require this.

I find a number of the lodges have changed and others are considering changing their by-laws to elect all officers rather than having the W. M. appoint the junior officers. Wherever tried it is working well. It certainly relieves the Master of much responsibility and sometimes rather unpleasant duties.

It was my privilege to visit every lodge in the district at least once, a number of them several times. Owing to personal matters as well as exceptional conditions early in the year, I did not make many official visits until well into the present year. In every lodge visited, reference was made to the great struggle in which our empire is now so earnestly engaged. In many cases presentations were made to brethren who had enlisted, and expressing deep appreciation of their great sacrifice in service and love for empire, freedom and liberty.

The following deaths have been reported to me during the year:—R. W. Bro. Dr. R. J. Lockhart, a P.D.D.G.M. of this district, an enthusiastic and exemplary Mason and a very valued and highly esteemed member of New Hope Lodge No. 279, Hespeler, who died at Vancouver and was buried with full Masonic honours at Hespeler, October 27th, 1914, deeply mourned by his brethren and all who knew him. V. W. Bro. Robt. Mann, of Harris Lodge No. 216, Orangeville, who died in London, November 2nd, 1914, aged 77 years, a very dear friend of Masonry, buried in Orangeville, November 4th, with craft honours. W. Bro. H. Bolton, Speed Lodge No. 180, Guelph, one of the oldest and best known Masons in the city. Buried with craft honours March 10th, 1915. W. Bro. Dr. David J. Minchin, P. M. of Grand River Lodge No. 151, Berlin, died February 27th, 1915. Buried March 1st, with Masonic ceremony. In Bro. Minchin Grand River lodge lost a valued member. Bro. H. B. McGuire, of Harris Lodge No. 216, Orangeville, who was killed in action, fighting for his King and country. Bro. Irvine A. Bernhardt, Preston Lodge No. 297, Preston, buried November 10th, 1914, with full craft honours. Bro. Wilfred Wells, Irvine Lodge No. 203, Elora, buried with craft honours, April 12th, 1915.

I attended the Lodge of Instruction for the D.D.G.Ms. held in Toronto, as provided for at last Grand Lodge meeting, and received much benefit and instruction therefrom. In this connection, however, I think that this instruction if at all pos-

sible, should be given at Grand Lodge, when the District Deputies are installed. There would not be the same expense, they would be ready and fully instructed for their work and fully prepared to perform all the official duties. I had requests from two lodges and made my official visits to them before this lodge of instruction at Toronto. If it could be arranged that the District Deputies could meet and receive this instruction after Grand Lodge meeting, either in the afternoon or following evening, I think it would be ideal. I feel satisfied they would all make special efforts to stay over if necessary until the next day and I do not think any would object to the expense. If thought advisable, Grand Lodge might arrange to bear this expense which would be only a very small item compared with bringing them to some central place later.

When the Belgian Relief Fund was brought before the lodges by letter from Grand Lodge, I wrote all the lodges and visited as many as possible in connection therewith, requesting a prompt and generous response. Owing to circumstances and conditions some of the lodges were not able to contribute as large amounts or as promptly as expected. Some had contributed considerable sums to Patriotic and other funds and felt that they were not in position to contribute as generously as they could otherwise have done and as the urgency of the case warranted. I feel satisfied that from the response and the appeals made, the different lodges have all carefully considered this matter and while all have not contributed what they would have liked or what Grand Lodge asked, they have conscientiously done what they could and regret exceedingly that circumstances prevented larger contributions to what is admitted and recognized by all as a most worthy object.

In compliance with the wishes of Grand Lodge and endeavoring to still further promote uniformity in the work throughout the district, a Lodge of Instruction was held in Galt on Friday, April 2nd, under the direction of Galt Lodge No. 257. There was a very large attendance, the rooms being taxed to capacity. Seventeen lodges of the district were

represented and several brethren from lodges outside the district were present. The lodge was opened by Galt Lodge officers, who extended a cordial welcome to the visitors, after which the first degree was exemplified by Speed Lodge No. 180, Guelph. The second degree was exemplified by Twin City Lodge No. 509, Berlin, and the third degree by Alma Lodge No. 72, Galt. The work in every case was exceptionally well done. A number of questions were answered in each of the degrees, different points in connection with the work discussed and explained and much general information given. It brought the brethren from different parts of the district together, not only for instruction, but also gave them an opportunity of becoming acquainted, exchanging fraternal greetings and discussing points of interest and benefit to all. Following the custom in this district at the opening of the lodge, I requested the assistance of the Past District Deputies and wish again to thank those who so ably assisted me with their counsel in answering questions, giving instruction and information; also the officers and members of the various lodges who exemplified the work and all those who in so many ways assisted in making this Lodge of Instruction what all agreed was a most successful, instructive and profitable meeting. The brethren were very much disappointed that the M. W. the Grand Master was prevented through stress of work and strenuous Parliamentary duties from being with us. We hope we may at some later date have the pleasure of a visit from him.

In submitting my report on the individual lodges, I will be as brief as possible, believing I may already have taken up more space than desirable. I trust the brethren will not think me ungrateful if mention is not made of all the kind and warm receptions which they have extended to me at all times. I do not need to mention individually the hospitality of the different lodges. The officers and members of each are ideal hosts. Each excelled itself in the form of banquet and entertainment. I sincerely thank them one and all for their exceeding kind welcome.

October 6th. Galt Lodge No. 257, Galt. This being my mother lodge and having ample opportunity of seeing the regular officers do the work throughout the year, I paid my official visit on their annual Past Masters' night. The Past Masters occupied the chairs and conferred the third degree with musical accompaniment in a very efficient manner. All the resident P. Ms. were present. There was a large attendance of members and visitors. The P. Ms. of this lodge have always taken a deep interest in the work. I have seen the regular officers exemplify the work of the different degrees throughout the year, always in a very creditable manner, the Worshipful Master being an exceptionally efficient officer. On the occasion of my visit, I was pleased to have with me three P.D.D.G.Ms. in the persons of R. W. Bros. Alfred Taylor and Wm. Cowan of Galt, and John Jardine, of Hespeler, than whom there are no more enthusiastic Masons anywhere. A musical programme of exceptional merit was provided by members of the lodge and a very enjoyable hour spent after the lodge closed. The Secretary, a P. M., has his books in excellent shape, dues are well attended to and the financial position of the lodge is good. This lodge besides giving its full quota to the Belgian Relief, contributed generously to the hospital, charity and relief funds during the last winter. The year's work has been very satisfactory and the future prospects bright.

October 8th. Conestogo Lodge No. 295, Drayton. I was very pleased on the occasion of my visit to meet such a good attendance of the members and large number of visitors from the surrounding lodges. Brethren being present from Harriston, Clifford, Palmerston, Elora, Galt and Hamilton. The rooms had recently been improved and are very cheerful, convenient and comfortable. The officers are well up in the work and conferred the degrees on an exceptionally well posted candidate in splendid manner. This lodge has a splendid set of officers. A number of P. Ms. take an active interest. The Secretary, a P. M., is very attentive to the business of the lodge and has the dues well

collected and everything in good order. This lodge arranged a number of very pleasant exchange visits during the last year, an excellent way to keep the officers well up in the work, promote good fellowship among the brethren and strengthen the principles of the order. Future progress and prosperity is assured as long as the brethren take the lively interest in Masonry they are at present taking. A pleasant time was spent at the banquet where we were joined by the ladies as is the custom in this lodge, on the occasion of the District Deputy's visit.

November 27th. St. Alban's Lodge No. 200. Mount Forest. I was given a very cordial reception on the occasion of my visit to this lodge. The prospective candidate could not be present, he had recently moved from the town and had sent word at the last hour that it was impossible; however, the officers exemplified the work of the third degree in a very impressive manner on a substitute. The work of W. Bro. Ireland, who assisted the W. M. was exceptionally fine. The attendance was good. There were a number of P.Ms. present. Several points in the work were discussed and a very pleasant and profitable evening spent. I had an opportunity of looking over the Secretary's books which are exceptionally well kept and a model of neatness. While this lodge has not had much work, it is in good condition. An exchange of visits with other nearby lodges might be suggested as a means of helping to keep alive the interest.

December 28th. Alma Lodge No. 72, Galt. I have visited this lodge frequently during the year and needed to make no official visit to know that the regular officers were capable and efficient. This lodge has a fine lot of officers, all young, enthusiastic Masons, anxious and willing to do their work in the best manner possible. They are ably supported by the P. Ms. I paid my official visit on their annual Past Masters' night and was greeted by a very large attendance of members and visitors. The work of the first degree was exemplified in an exceptionally fine manner. The Secretary, R. W.

Bro. A. J. Oliver, has his books in good shape and attends well to his duties. In his absence on duty with the 34th Battalion, the duties of the office are being well attended to by his assistant, W. Bro. Secord. A banquet and programme of song and music, for which this lodge is noted, will long be remembered with pleasure. The financial standing and prospects of the lodge are good. A large amount has been spent in relief.

February 5th. Mercer Lodge No. 347, Fergus. The first degree was conferred by the W. M. and his officers in a very fine manner. The night was stormy and there was not as good an attendance as there otherwise would have been, but nevertheless a splendid gathering. A feature in this, as in all the lodges of the district, is the good turnout of the P.Ms. There were a number of visitors present. This lodge also does considerable visiting, the benefit of which shows in the good work. The Secretary, a P. M., had his books in excellent shape and all his work is exceptionally well done. A very pleasant and enjoyable time was spent at the banquet provided by the officers' wives.

February 18th. Blair Lodge No. 314, Palmerston. The progress of this lodge of late has been very marked. On the occasion of my visit W. Bro. Thorne and his officers exemplified the third degree in splendid manner. The officers all doing their work well. There was a good attendance of members and visitors. The lodge is to be congratulated on the excellent work being done and the revival of interest among the brethren. They have an exceptionally fine set of officers and things are looking very bright. Slight alterations have been made in their quarters which have made a considerable improvement. Applications are coming in fairly strong. The young members are taking a live interest in both the work and business of the lodge and the year has been one of exceptional success. The meeting was held in the afternoon and adjournment made to the banquet hall where the brethren were joined by their ladies and a very pleasant and social time spent. The affairs of the

lodge are well looked after by a capable and efficient Secretary. The W. Master may justly look back with pride and extreme satisfaction to his year's work in the East.

February 19th. Irvine Lodge No. 203, Elora. There was a good attendance of members and visitors. The lodge was opened in the three degrees, the first degree conferred by the W. M. and his officers in an exceptionally fine manner. The officers are well posted and take a deep interest in the welfare of the lodge. They have contributed considerable of their means for relief and regretted exceedingly their being unable to make larger contributions to the Belgian Relief Fund. This lodge also pays frequent visits to adjoining lodges. The brethren are exceedingly kind and sociable and extend the warmest welcome to visitors at all times. Here as in nearly all the lodges I was pleased to notice the good attendance of the clergy at the meetings. There are good prospects ahead for Irvine Lodge.

March 8th. Harriston Lodge No. 262, Harriston. This was a very pleasant visit to me. There was a good attendance of members and a large number of visitors. The officers take a keen interest in their work and lodge and the future is bright. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Morrell and officers in a very creditable manner. I was very pleased indeed with the work and future outlook of this lodge, and feel sure I will not be disappointed. The Secretary, a P. M., looks well after all matters and is of much assistance to the Master in his work. He has everything well done and in order. A very pleasant time was spent in the banquet hall and a presentation made to Bro. Livingston, who had enlisted for active service, and was home for the meeting.

March 9th. Durham Lodge No. 306, Durham. This lodge has also made marked progress during the year. My visit was a very pleasant one. There was a good attendance, very fine work, and I was well pleased with the future prospects, they having five applications the night I was there.

The second degree was conferred on two candidates; W. Bro. Rev. W. H. Hartley, conferring one degree and W. Bro. Hildebrandt the other, in excellent manner. I never saw candidates who were better prepared. I am told this is the regular custom in this lodge. The W. M., who had recently moved from the town, returned for the meeting. He takes a deep interest in this lodge and showed marked ability in handling the general business. The financial position of the lodge is good and dues well collected. It would be well for this lodge, however, to place insurance on their property.

March 12th. Preston Lodge No. 297, Preston. I visited this lodge several times during the year and always witnessed the work well put on. The officers are capable and are maintaining the high standard of work done in the past. They have an excellent lot of P. Ms. who are always on hand to assist and help whenever called upon. The first degree was conferred in fine manner, the Junior Warden's lecture being exceptionally well given. I was pleased to have the company of R. W. Bro. Jardine and W. Bro. Little, of Hespeler, and W. Bro. Thomas, of Galt, and was later privileged to visit the lodge when R. W. Bro. Jardine gave an address on Masonry. R. W. Bro. Zieman and V. W. Bro. Edgar were also present. The Preston brethren are a fine lot of fellows, good entertainers. The financial condition and prospects of the lodge are good, the year's progress has been very marked, and the dues are well paid.

March 22nd. New Hope Lodge No. 279, Hespeler. I visited this lodge frequently in the past and several times during the year and the work is always of a very high order. R. W. Bro. Jardine and other Past Masters of the lodge, take a very deep interest in its progress and prosperity and see well to it that all the officers have their work and are able to give it in the best manner. This lodge has a long list of P. Ms. and they all take a deep interest in its welfare. On the occasion of my official visit, the P. Ms. exemplified the second degree in a manner which left nothing to be desired. The officers had been out of the chairs in most

cases for quite a number of years, the W. M. seventeen years and the Senior Warden twenty-four years. It was a very pleasant meeting, largely attended by members and visitors. This was their 43rd anniversary. The work done in New Hope Lodge is entitled to stand side by side with that done in the best lodges anywhere. Their progress and future prospects are excellent.

March 26th. Twin City Lodge No. 509, Berlin. This is the youngest lodge in the district and is showing marked progress. They have an excellent set of officers and always do fine work. On the evening of my visit I witnessed the second degree conferred in a very able manner. The candidates are always well prepared and the members generally take a great interest in the lodge. This lodge set aside a special night for examination of members after having received the third degree. The social side of Masonry is well exemplified, there is no more social lot of brethren anywhere. They are all striving to maintain the highest principles of the order. I have visited this lodge frequently in the past and have always witnessed good work. The Secretary is very efficient and capable. The dues are well collected, financial standing good and prospects splendid. They have also made large expenditures for relief purposes.

March 30th. Guelph Lodge No. 258, Guelph. The third degree was conferred by the W. M. and officers in exceptionally fine manner with musical accompaniment. The general work of this lodge is very fine. There was a good turnout of the members at the meeting. The candidate was exceedingly well posted. Three members who had recently received the third degree were examined and proved themselves well skilled. The lodges in Guelph visit each other frequently and the utmost harmony prevails. This lodge has made excellent progress during the last year, and the prospects are very good. The financial standing is also good. The rooms in which the lodges in Guelph meet are the finest in the district.

April 6th. Speed Lodge No. 180, Guelph. This lodge has had a splendid year and a large

amount of work. On the evening of my visit it was my pleasure to witness three initiations. There was a good attendance and a fine turnout of the P. Ms. W. Bro. Whetstone conferred the degree on one of the candidates, W. Bro. Archdeacon Davidson and W. Bro. Gould ably assisting with the other two. The work was exceedingly good and everything done so as to bring out the great beauty and solemnity of the ceremonies and create the most lasting impression upon the candidates. The Junior Warden's lecture was given in an excellent manner. This lodge can always be counted on as doing fine work and have an excellent set of officers. R. W. Bro. Stephenson, the Secretary, has everything in connection with the lodge affairs well in hand and gives all matters pertaining to the welfare of Speed Lodge his very best attention. They have spent a large amount for relief, the financial standing is good and prospects excellent. Presentations were made to a number of their members who had enlisted, and a very pleasant social time spent in the banquet hall.

April 19th. Clifford Lodge No. 315, Clifford. On the occasion of my visit to this lodge the brethren were very much disappointed in the candidate not turning up and consequently they had no work. The W. M. lives several miles out and found it impossible to be present. The chair, however, was ably filled by a P. M., who with the other officers in charge opened and closed in the several degrees and proved themselves proficient. Seldom in a lodge of such small membership is there such a good turnout of P. Ms., fourteen being present on this occasion. W. Bros. Wenger, father and son, coming from Ayton. I assure the brethren of Clifford, notwithstanding their having no work, I appreciate their fine turnout and the exceedingly kind and cordial reception given me. After closing, the brethren got together and many points and questions of interest to the members and the general welfare of the lodge were discussed and much valuable information elicited. The Clifford brethren are a fine friendly lot of fellows and I hope it may soon be my good fortune to meet with them again.

The prospects are encouraging and financial standing good. I might suggest their arranging an exchange of visits with some nearby lodge. This, I think, would help to get the general membership take a greater interest in the work and stimulate the progress of the lodge.

April 26th. Scott Lodge No. 421, Grand Valley. Here I was greeted by a large meeting, a goodly number being present from Orangeville. W. Bro. McLellan and his officers conferred the second degree on a very well posted candidate in a capable manner. This lodge is doing good work and has a number of very energetic and enthusiastic P. Ms. who take a deep interest in Masonry and are always on hand to assist when necessary and keep the younger members right up to the mark with their work. The members of this lodge visit considerably and have frequent visits from brethren from Orangeville, and I could not on this occasion help noticing with pleasure the kindly feelings existing between these two lodges. The prospects of the lodge are good and financial standing excellent. A very pleasant feature of the evening's proceedings was the presentation to R. W. Bro. Col. J. A. V. Preston by the brethren of Scott and Harris Lodges, the brethren all expressing in the highest terms their appreciation of the worthy and distinguished brother who has enlisted for active service, all wishing him every success and safe return.

April 27th. Prince Arthur Lodge No. 334, Arthur. The brethren were disappointed at not having any work, but the W. M. and his officers opened and closed in the three degrees. A number of points in connection with the work were taken up and if the brethren had a rehearsal or two, I am sure the work would be as good as anyone would desire; more work or a little practice is all that is needed, the officers are quite capable and earnest and have the best interests of the lodge at heart, harmony and a splendid feeling of brotherhood appears to prevail. The lodge has good prospects and is in good position financially, the Secretary is very efficient and has the dues and all the work in

connection with the lodge in the best shape possible. There was not as large an attendance as expected, owing to a severe thunderstorm during the afternoon and evening. I was pleased to meet a number of visitors. A very pleasant time was spent after the meeting at the banquet, Arthur brethren excelling themselves on this occasion.

April 28th. Harris Lodge No. 216, Orangeville. To accommodate me and make it possible for me to arrange my visits to this and other lodges in this section on this trip, the W. Master very kindly arranged to change the night of meeting and I am thankful for his thoughtfulness. I spent a very pleasant day among the brethren and was greeted in the evening with a large attendance. The officers put on the work of the first degree in splendid manner, the Junior Warden's work being very fine, the W. M's. and officers' work throughout was very good. They have had a large amount of work and are in good shape. The W. M. gave a report of his visit to the lodge of instruction and explained to the brethren several points he noticed in connection with the work in a very clear and interesting manner. The general business of the lodge is well conducted, the Secretary has his books and work all in good shape. There was a good attendance of visitors and clergy, seven of the latter being present. The P. Ms. turn out well to the meetings. the prospects and financial position are good and there are no dues in arrears.

April 29th. Wellington Lodge No. 271, Erin. This lodge has had little work of late and consequently has not had the practice. The W. M. had been ill for several meetings and on the night of my visit, although present, was far from well. These circumstances all tell against the work of a lodge. The brethren, however, are doing good work and have the very best interests of Masonry at heart. A more loyal and true lot of Masons are not to be found anywhere, only circumstances over which they, to a great extent at least, had no control, has handicapped them lately. With more work or a little practice, I feel sure their work will show im-

provement that will enable it to stand comparison with that done in any of the lodges in the district. The third degree was conferred, the W. M. being assisted by R. W. Bro. Conboy, one of the oldest Past District Deputies in this district. Several points were explained, parts of the floor work exemplified and considerable information and instruction given. I suggested a visit to some of the nearby lodges and the brethren will try and arrange this in the near future. They received an application the night of my visit and the future prospects are fairly good. The financial standing is fair and with the spirit manifest among the brethren on my visit, I look forward with confidence to the future of Wellington Lodge.

May 11th. Grand River Lodge No. 151, Berlin. I was here greeted by a good attendance, a good turnout of P. Ms., and a number of visitors. The third degree was well exemplified by W. Bro. Schiedel and his officers. The candidate was well posted. The officers are efficient, energetic, and take a deep interest in their lodge, the junior officers attend well to their respective duties, the general work of the lodge is good and methods of conducting the business excellent. On the night of my visit they had four applications. They have a good Secretary, the prospects are bright and financial standing good, the social side of Masonry is well looked after by the brethren and the kindest feelings exist between them and their sister lodge, Twin City No. 509.

May 21st. Ayr Lodge No. 172, Ayr. This lodge has had a good year and made considerable increase in its membership. I visited it early in the year but officially on the above date. On both occasions the work was well done. I was accompanied on both occasions by a number of brethren from the Galt lodges and on the night of my official visit there was a number present from Baden. It is seldom we have the privilege to see as well posted a candidate. The second degree was conferred by W. Bro. Oliver and his officers, and outside of a slight nervousness, left nothing to be desired. Ayr

Lodge is certainly doing fine work, the Secretary is a very capable and painstaking officer, constantly working for the good of his lodge. They have given a large amount for relief, have very promising prospects, and are in excellent shape financially.

May 26th. Waverley Lodge No. 261, Guelph. This, my last official visit, was an exceedingly enjoyable one. W. Bro. Strachan and his officers conferred the first degree with musical accompaniment. The W. M. exemplified his work in a clear, impressive and instructive manner. The work of all the officers was good, the general business is conducted in a very efficient manner; there was a good attendance of the members and a number of visitors. Waverley has always maintained a high standard of work and cannot help but continue to do so as long as the P. Ms. and members continue to take such a deep interest in her welfare. The year has been marked by good progress and the future is very bright and Waverley Lodge may well look forward with confidence to a very bright future. The brethren are great entertainers and a very pleasant social time is always spent in the banquet hall. It was also my pleasure to visit Waverley on the occasion of their Patriotic and Military night, February 24th, when the work was exemplified by members of the militia in training at that time in the city. Presentations were made to several of the members who had enlisted. The banquet and programme on that occasion were of exceptional merit. R. W. Bro. Col. Ponton's response to the toast, "The British Empire, its Army and Navy," being an especial treat and listened to with appreciation by a very large gathering.

In conclusion, I wish to say that the efforts of my predecessors in getting the district in the high state of perfection it now enjoys made my duties comparatively light and the year just closing will remain green in my memory as one of the most instructive and happy periods of my life. I cherish the fondest memories of the courtesy and brotherly love shown me in all my official visits and thank

the brethren who by their congenial companionship and wise counsel have aided me in making my duties pleasant to myself, and I trust, profitable to the several lodges under my official care. I bespeak for my successor the same cordial consideration and support.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. H. COWAN, D.D.G.M.,

Wellington District No. 7.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Wellington District No. 7, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations		Resignations		Suspensions, other causes		Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members		Amount paid for relief		No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs		Total of all arrearages		Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance
			Total No. of all Mem.	Decrease during year	F. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Restorations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Deceased	Regular	Emergent	Total	Total	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance						
72	Alma	Galt	190	2	5	3	4	2			4		1	1	1	1	1	293	00 16	258 00	Dec. 24	Good	Good	Yes	Jointly		
151	Grand River	Berlin	215	3	12	8	9	2			8		1	1	1	1	1	142	00 1	5 00	Dec. 27	Good	Excel't	Yes	2500 00		
172	Ayr	Guelph	55	8	7	7	9	2			3		1	1	1	1	1	82	00 1	85 75	Dec. 27	Good	Promg	Yes	700 00		
180	Speed	Guelph	158	17	3	13	23	4			3		1	1	1	1	1	132	00 12	76 00	Dec. 24	Good	Excel't	Yes	2000 jly		
200	St. Albans	Mt. Forest	83	1	2	2	2	2			3		1	1	1	1	1	25	00 33	215 85	June 24	Good	Good	Yes	600 00		
203	Irvine	Elora	94	3	4	4	4	4			4		1	1	1	1	1	23	00 12	65 00	June 24	Good	Good	Yes	400 00		
216	Harris	Orangeville	165	6	13	10	11	2			4		1	3	2	2	2	26	00 20	100 00	June 24	Good	Good	Yes	Yes		
257	Galt	Galt	207	7	7	9	7	3					1	1	1	1	1	28	00 20	100 00	Dec. 27	Good	Good	Yes	Jointly		
258	Guelph	Guelph	139	31	26	18	1	1			11		1	1	1	1	1	35	00 16	52 50	Dec. 24	Good	Good	Yes	Jointly		
262	Harriston	Harriston	98	5	2	2	2	5			5		1	3	1	1	1	151	50 16	75 00	June 24	Prsps	Bright	Yes	500 00		
271	Wellington	Erin	69	3	1	2	2	2			1		1	9	9	9	10	45	00 13	75 00	Dec. 30	Fair	Fair	No	400 00		
279	New Hope	Hespeler	102	6	1	5	7	3			1		1	2	1	1	1	110	00 00	75 00	June 24	Fair	Fair	Yes	400 00		
295	Conestogo	Drayton	82	6	1	5	7	6			1		1	1	1	1	1	105	00 5	22 00	Dec. 28	Good	Fly g'd	Yes	400 00		
297	Preston	Preston	87	13	7	7	5	3					1	2	2	2	2	40	00 2	22 00	Dec. 28	Good	Good	Yes	800 00		
306	Durham	Durham	66	6	3	4	3	3			2		3	1	1	1	1	16	00 11	52 25	Dec. 18	Good	Good	Yes	None		
314	Blair	Palmerston	103	15	16	14	16	3			1		2	2	2	2	2	70	00 12	60 00	Jan. 4	Good	V Bright	Yes	500 00		
315	Clifford	Clifford	59	1	4	1	2	2			1		3	1	1	1	1	13	00 10	70 00	June 27	Good	Good	Yes	Yes		
334	Prince Arthur	Arthur	57	6	5	5	5	2			1		2	3	1	1	1	60	00 00	18 00	Dec. 29	Good	Good	Yes	Yes		
347	Mercer	Fergus	84	8	5	6	5	5			4		1	1	1	1	1	35	00 18	75 55	Jan. 18	Good	Good	Yes	500 00		
361	Waverley	Guelph	210	12	21	23	24	4			5		6	1	1	1	1	45	00 17	75 55	Dec. 31	Excel't	Excel't	Yes	Jointly		
421	Scott	Grand Valley	90	2	1	3	5	1			3		1	3	1	1	1	77	50 4	51 00	Jan. 12	Good	Good	Yes	500 00		
509	Twin City	Berlin	68	6	9	10	12	1			2		2	1	1	1	1	121	00 1	57 00	Dec. 27	Good	Spl'nd	Yes	None		

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I beg to present my report on the condition of Masonry in the Hamilton District for the past Masonic year, and in doing so, I wish to thank the brethren for the honour which they conferred on me in electing me to this office. I appreciate the honour, and I hope that I have merited the confidence placed in me.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking W. Bro. John Renwick for acting as District Secretary, the duties of which he performed satisfactorily. About the first of June he enlisted for active service with the Fourth Contingent, we admire his patriotism and sincerely hope for his safe return.

The lodges throughout the district are nearly all in a very satisfactory condition, and I think it is their desire to maintain not only the ritual, but the principles of Masonry.

I understand that the Hamilton District is the second largest district in the jurisdiction, the work has required a great deal of exertion, still the experience obtained and the friendships formed, will be a matter of a very pleasant recollection to me. I visited the twenty-eight lodges in the district each officially, and a number of them I visited on several occasions.

I am very proud indeed that the Barton Lodge No. 6 was chosen to exemplify the first degree at the Provincial Lodge of Instruction held by the M. W. the Grand Master at Toronto, in October, 1914.

It has been my practice to pay more attention to the spirit of Masonry than to the technical side, although neither must be lost sight of, and I have endeavoured to impress on the lodges that the mere working of the various degrees is not all which

should be expected of a Mason; that Masonry is not religion; that Masonry and the Church are not opposed to each other, but each should fill their particular sphere, and work hand in hand for the betterment of mankind; that Masonry is not an end, but a means towards an end; that Masonry is judged by the lives of its members, and we should be very careful in this, because of the danger of any reflection being cast upon our noble order through inconsistency; that our example should be exemplary; that character should not be forgotten, and that the influence which Masonry is in the position to effect powerfully should always be on the side of uprightness.

The Belgian Relief Fund has been responded to nobly throughout the district, and nearly all the lodges have paid their full allotment.

On May 4th I held a Lodge of Instruction under the dispensation of Brant Lodge No. 45, Brantford, where a very pleasant and, I hope, profitable time was spent. The first degree was worked by my mother lodge, St. Andrews No. 62, Caledonia, the second degree by Valley Lodge No. 100, Dundas, and the third degree by Reba Lodge No. 515, Brantford. At this Lodge of Instruction I asked the brethren to raise funds to present an ambulance to the Red Cross Society, and sufficient funds have been obtained for the purchase of two motor ambulances, which the Hamilton District hope to present at Grand Lodge on the 21st of July. This is a very worthy object and in this presentation I will feel that I have accomplished something worth while; that my year as District Deputy Grand Master has not been a fruitless one, and that the Hamilton District is always ready to do their share in any good work.

I would like to draw attention to some matters which I think are important, and which might be profitably adopted by other lodges.

1—Several of the lodges make a practice of obligation the candidate in the three degrees on the same bible, and after receiving the Master Mason's degree, these bibles are suitably inscribed, and presented to the candidate.

2—Some of the lodges print a piece of lod news or item of interest on their notices.

3—The Barton Lodge No. 6, with the approval of the Grand Master, has appointed an archivist to take charge of their important documents, keep a record of them, and store them in the proper place.

4—Some of the lodges display a flag at each meeting, and after the lights are closed, end the meeting by singing "God Save the King."

5—It is customary in some of the larger lodges when a candidate has received his E. A. degree, to place him in front of the W. Master, who comes down to the foot of the dais, and turning him around, introduces him to the brethren.

6—Some of the lodges hold a Ladies' Night, a picnic or some other function for the ladies. This gives an opportunity of becoming acquainted with the families of the various members, and serves to promote a beneficial interest in Masonry.

7—Wherever possible music should be employed in the working of the various degrees.

8—Exchange of visits with the neighboring lodges is recommended wherever possible.

I wish to make mention of the suite of rooms occupied by the four Brantford lodges. I think these rooms are very complete and reflect great credit on the Brantford brethren. Their club room is an especially fine place for the brethren to spend a social time together.

I have noticed that a number of the lodges when reporting the amount paid for relief include not only the amount paid by the lodge itself, but also include the amount paid by Grand Lodge which passes through their hands, while other lodges report only the amount paid by the lodge itself. I have taken pains to see that in my statistical report only the amount paid by the lodge itself is credited to the various lodges.

It has been brought to my attention repeatedly that there is a very flagrant violation of certain secrets by many P. Ms., and I also find that many of the brethren disclose to outsiders the names of proposed candidates. I have taken a particularly strong stand in both of these matters, pointing out the seriousness of both these offences.

I regret to report that Onondaga Lodge No. 519 had the misfortune to be burned out in November, 1914, but that I am glad to say that they have since obtained even better quarters and are now in a splendid condition again.

Following instructions from the M. W. the Grand Master, I had the pleasure of constituting, consecrating, dedicating, and installing the officers of Onondaga Lodge No. 519, on October 2nd, 1914, assisted by the following brethren: R. W. Bros. W. H. Wardrope, C. S. Kilgour, J. G. Liddell and J. Messecar; W. Bros. John Renwick, H. Maw, John Douglas; Bro. A. W. Parrish and a number of other brethren from surrounding lodges. After the fire, and new lodge rooms had been obtained, the M. W. the Grand Master instructed me to dedicate their new lodge rooms, which I did on the occasion of my official visit on February 1st. I was assisted by the following: W. Bro. D. E. Russell, R. W. Bro. J. G. Liddell, W. Bro. John Renwick, W. Bros. J. A. Hainer, J. Dixon, John Douglass and Saunders and others. This was also their "Ladies' Night." This lodge has a good set of officers and the brethren are very enthusiastic. This meeting was one long to be remembered, on account of the terrific snow storm, which compelled us to remain in the banquet room until daylight, some of the brethren being unable to leave Onondaga until the afternoon.

On November 12th, 1914, I constituted, consecrated and installed the officers of Reba Lodge No. 515, Brantford, assisted by the following brethren: W. Bro. Sheppard, R. W. Bros. Woodside, S. F. Passmore, J. G. Liddell, W. Bros. M. Wilbee, J. C. Spence and other brethren. This was also the night of my official visit. This makes the fourth lodge in the city of Brantford, and the prospects for them look

bright. After the lodge was closed a procession was formed headed by one of the brethren, bearing the flag, and we marched to the banquet room. They are very fortunate in having a great many P. Ms. as members.

On December 1st I dedicated the fine new rooms of Seymour Lodge No. 272, Ancaster, assisted by the following brethren: R. W. Bros. J. G. Liddell, Woodside, G. C. Holden, T. McCallum, B. E. Thompson, W. Bro. John Pickard and others. This was also "Ladies' Night," and after the lodge was closed the ladies were invited into the lodge room, when on behalf of the lodge I had the honour of presenting parchment identification certificates to three of the brethren who had enlisted for active service. This was a very large meeting and one of the most successful of my whole year, and one which I will long remember. The prospects of this lodge are good.

Official Visits.

Harmony Lodge No. 57, Binbrook, visited on September 24th, 1914. It was with considerable pleasure that I paid my official visit to this lodge. It is a little peculiar that after I was initiated, I paid my first visit to Harmony Lodge, now, as D.D.G.M., I make my first official visit to this lodge also, St. Andrews' (my own lodge), also paid a visit to Harmony Lodge on this occasion, and worked a third degree. There was also a good delegation present from Hamilton and Stoney Creek. This lodge is in a very flourishing condition and has just completed overhauling their building. It is one of the most aggressive lodges in the district, amount paid for benevolence per member is exceptionally high. They are fortunate in having an expert organist, the musical part of the evening is made as prominent as possible, which not only adds to the pleasure, but also draws a larger attendance. I also had the pleasure of attending their "Ladies' Night" on January 7th., which was a decided success.

Burlington Lodge No. 165, Burlington, visited on September 30th, accompanied by several brethren.

ren from Caledonia, Hamilton and surrounding lodges. A second degree was worked satisfactorily. The benevolent part is well looked after, and finances are in good shape. They have a good class of members; have purchased the building in which the lodge is held, and the prospects are bright.

Electric Lodge No. 495, Hamilton, visited on October 21st. This was my first official visit in the city of Hamilton, and I conducted the election of officers. This is one of the youngest lodges in Hamilton, and they have initiated a great many members. They are in a good financial condition and prospects look very bright. I might say that they are fortunate in having a splendid Secretary.

Waterdown Lodge No. 357, Millgrove, visited on October 27th, accompanied by a large number of brethren from Hamilton and surrounding lodges. The first degree was exemplified. This lodge shows a very small amount paid to benevolence, but I would point out that they have just completed overhauling their lodge room at considerable expense, and they have contributed very largely, as individuals, towards relief, in the way of supplying farm produce, etc., to the needy, so that they are deserving of more credit than the figures show.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 62, Caledonia, visited on October 28th. It was with considerable pleasure that I paid my official visit to my mother lodge, and I had the honour of the presence of some of the Hamilton brethren and others. They have a splendid set of officers, and benevolence is well supported. The prospects of the lodge are very bright. The P. Ms. attend quite regularly, which is of great assistance to the officers. A very pleasant feature of this meeting was the presentation of canes suitably inscribed to V. W. Bro. Jas. Old and Bro. Wm. Simenton, who have both completed a membership of fifty years in St. Andrew's Lodge.

The Lodge of Strict Observance No. 27, Hamilton, visited on November 20th, when a degree was worked very satisfactorily. I was very glad to be present at this meeting as three of their

members who belong to the 91st Regiment of Highlanders, who were going to the front, were presented with parchment certificates and fountain pens. This lodge is in splendid condition, and they do their work well.

Corinthian Lodge No. 513, Hamilton, visited on November 26th, and with the assistance of a number of P.Ms. from Hamilton, installed the officers for the first time. A number of the officers of this lodge are experienced brethren, and the prospects of the lodge appear to be good. They had a most successful "Ladies' Night" on February 25th at which I had the honour of being present.

St. George Lodge No. 243, St. George, visited on November 27th. This is one of the smaller lodges of the district, but they have very comfortable quarters. They worked the third degree in a most efficient manner. They have a good set of officers, and the prospects appear good.

Wentworth Lodge No. 166, Stoney Creek, visited on November 30th, when I conducted the election of officers. They do their work well, and have an able class of members. This lodge is situated at Stoney Creek, which is one of the historic spots of Canada. A novel feature at the banquet was that all the waiters were the members' daughters. I regret to report the death of W. Bro. Major A. E. Kimmins, he was killed on the battlefield in France. He was prominent in Masonry and his death will be keenly felt by the Wentworth brethren.

Temple Lodge No. 324, Hamilton, visited on December 8th, when I conducted the election of officers. This is a good lodge, but I regret very much that the P.Ms. do not give it the support that they should, which is a serious handicap to the officers.

Acacia Lodge No. 61, Hamilton. Visited on December 11th and I conducted the election of officers. This is the largest lodge in the district, and it is interesting to know that, with a membership of over five hundred, they have only two mem-

bers who are twelve months in arrears. This speaks volumes for the officers. They are in a splendid condition and benevolence is very prominent.

St. John's Lodge No. 40, Hamilton, visited on December 17th. I conducted the election of officers on the occasion of this visit. This is the second largest lodge in the district, and they are very fortunate in having a great many experienced officers as members. Nothing but praise can be said of the work of this fine old lodge which follows closely the land-marks of Freemasonry.

Dundurn Lodge No. 475, Hamilton, visited on January 16th, 1915, when the officers were installed. This lodge meets on Saturday night, and consequently appeals to a great many men who otherwise could not attend lodge at all. While this is one of the young lodges, they are doing good work, and they have a number of capable and experienced officers.

Ozias Lodge No. 508, Brantford, visited on February 10th, when a first degree was worked satisfactorily. This is the only lodge I know of where the number of applicants for the year is limited by the by-laws. Although their membership is small they have contributed liberally to benevolence.

Lynden Lodge No. 505, Lynden, visited on February 11th. This is one of the younger lodges, and is handicapped by having very few P.Ms. They are fortunate, however, in having a man for W. M. who has had considerable experience in other societies. The brethren are very enthusiastic and their prospects are bright. They held a very successful lawn social on June 22nd, which I had the honour of attending.

Valley Lodge No. 100, Dundas, visited on March 8th on "Past Masters' Night," when the work was put on in a very able manner. This was a very enthusiastic meeting with a good attendance, and a number of brethren were present from Hamilton and surrounding lodges. They are in good shape and the prospects are very bright.

Brant Lodge No. 45, Brantford, visited on March 11th. This is the oldest lodge in Brantford, and one-tenth of all moneys received is put in a separate benevolent fund which is most commendable. They are in good financial condition and do their work well

Doric Lodge No. 121, Brantford, visited on April 16th. This was a very interesting meeting, because they varied the order of procedure by having an elaborate set of questions and answers, which were explanatory of a great many principles and ceremonies of Freemasonry. They have a most energetic set of officers.

Oakville Lodge No. 400, Oakville, visited on May 11th, accompanied by a number of Hamilton brethren. This lodge is in a fine condition, they have a splendid set of officers who worked the first degree in an able manner. The benevolent fund is a very prominent feature in this lodge, which is very gratifying.

Walker Lodge No. 321, Acton, visited on May 19th, accompanied by brethren from Toronto, Hamilton and Georgetown. I understand that this lodge has not been making very much progress for a number of years, but there is no ground for complaint now, and things are prospering.

Credit Lodge No. 219, Georgetown, visited on May 20th. This lodge has splendid quarters, a good set of officers and are doing good work, and the prospects of the lodge are very bright.

St. Clair Lodge No. 135, Milton, visited on May 21st. This lodge has a peculiar, but very appropriate lodge room. A first degree was worked. I am very pleased with the stand this lodge takes in regard to benevolence.

The Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton, visited on June 9th, when the election of officers was held, and I feel sure that those elected will continue to follow in the path laid out by its former officers. This lodge occupies an enviable position in the Grand Lodge of Canada. I had the honour of being presented with a copy of the "History of Barton Lodge."

Dufferin Lodge No. 291, West Flamboro, was visited on June 10th, when I was accompanied by a number of distinguished brethren and we had a splendid meeting. They have raised considerable money for benevolence, and I believe they are doing good work.

Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton, visited on June 21st, when I conducted the election of officers. This lodge is in an exceptionally strong position, financially. They have a splendid set of officers who do good work, and the benevolence is well taken care of.

I have prepared a list of the names of brethren who have enlisted for active service from the various lodges throughout the district up-to-date, together with a list of those who have been killed or wounded as far as could be ascertained. We admire very much the action of these brethren, and feel sure that their example will not be forgotten by the brethren of the different lodges. I am also glad to report that most of the lodges have presented parchment identification certificates, printed in English, French and German, to their members who have enlisted, and should the occasion arise, I am sure these parchments will be of assistance to them.

I have refrained from mentioning individual names as far as possible, because there are so many brethren in the district who deserve mention that it is impossible to speak of them all.

I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the kindness and courtesies extended to me during the past year and which I appreciate. I trust that the good work which has been going on may long continue. Wishing the Hamilton District No. 8 every success.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES MCGREGOR, D.D.G.M.,
Hamilton District No. 8.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit herewith my report upon the conditions of Masonry in Georgian District No. 9 for the past Masonic year, and in doing so I likewise extend my sincere thanks to all the brethren of the district for the important honour they have conferred upon me by electing me to the high and responsible position of D.D.G.M., and for the able and willing assistance extended to me by the Past D.D.G.Ms. and all members of the district; and for the uniform courtesy, extreme kindness and brotherly feeling extended to me by every lodge and member.

I did not hold a Lodge of Instruction as has been usually done by my predecessors, but tried in every official visit to have a lodge of instruction.

It was my desire to establish as far as possible lodges of fraternal visiting, and in this was successful in almost all the lodges, but there were a few exceptions where the brethren found it impossible to comply with my request. The plan was suggested to the brethren at a Past Masters' meeting at Corinthian Lodge, Barrie, where almost every lodge in the district was represented by their W. M. and some P. Ms., it was decided unanimously to try fraternal visiting for one year and have one lodge visit another lodge on my official visit, and have each lodge work a degree, in which case two degrees were worked on each visit, and the work of each lodge criticized by any of the brethren.

Unfortunatley the brethren from Collingwood, Clarksburg, Meaford and Elmvale, were not able to visit any other lodge, but Elmvale had a visit from Caledonian Lodge, Midland, and were thereby enabled to see the work exemplified by another lodge, and many of the brethren visited with me on others of my official visits.

I wish to state that at the end of my official visits the brethren became so enthusiastic that some of them so enjoyed the visits and the exemplification of the work so ably done by the different lodges that each visit was as well attended as any lodge of instruction could have been attended, and in my opinion, the single lodge of instruction has been replaced in Georgian District by fraternal visiting for all time to come.

There is another point which I dwelt on, which met with the unanimous approval of all the lodges which is as follows: That every brother after receiving his sublime degree must prove his proficiency in that degree and have the same recorded on the Secretary's books, and same must be forwarded to the Grand Secretary before the brother is entitled to his certificate from Grand Lodge, and I hope this will become a rule throughout the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

Shortly after assuming office I addressed a circular letter to every lodge in the district notifying them of my election, and asking their assistance and co-operation during my term of office. I appointed W. Bro. Walter N. Duff, of Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie, as my District Secretary, and have great pleasure in stating that I do not believe it would have been possible to secure a more able, efficient or zealous worker for the position, as he made all arrangements for my visits, and being one of the most popular P. Ms. in the district obtained the hearty co-operation of all the brethren in the principles of my circular letter which contained the essential points of the work as I wished it to be carried out during the year.

Georgian District No. 9 is noted as being one of the best districts within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge for efficient work in all degrees, not excepting the fourth degree. In this last mentioned degree there were many very interesting addresses given on the general principles of Masonry, which give new life to Masonry and elevate the minds of all the brethren who are fortunate enough to be within hearing of them.

I wish to thank R .W. Bros. Knight, Monkman, Cowan, Sprott, Pye, Hammil, Bethune, and V. W. Bros. Palling, Keller, Hewson, Tudhope and Clarke for their very hearty co-operation and assistance in all the work of the district.

My first official visit was to Corinthian Lodge No. 96, Barrie, February 4th, where the brethren from Minerva Lodge No. 304, Stroud, and the brethren from Cornithian Lodge exemplified degrees to the utmost satisfaction of all the brethren present as well as to myself. Both these lodges are to be congratulated. W. Bro. Warnica with his officers made a very proficient demonstration of the work, while W. Bro. Felt with his officers exemplified the degree in a most pleasing manner.

Manito Lodge No. 90, Collingwood. I visited this lodge on February 9th. This was when the worst storm of the season was at its height, but the brethren turned out in good numbers and the work under W. Bro. Whipps and his officers was remarkably well done. This lodge has the assistance of many efficient P. Ms. and is working in perfect harmony. The W. M. and officers are very enthusiastic.

Beaver Lodge No. 234, Clarksburg. My visit to this lodge was paid February 23rd, and the third degree was exemplified. W. Bro. Reekie is very thorough in his work and is ably assisted by his junior officers as well as the large number of P.Ms.

Pythagoras Lodge No. 137, Meaford. I had the honour of visiting this lodge on February 24th, when a first degree was worked by W. Bro. Brown and his officers. In this lodge also the W. M. is very ably supported by many efficient P. Ms., who give all the details of the work their most careful attention.

Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie. On March 5th it was a great pleasure to visit this, my mother lodge, where I first saw the light of Masonry, and where I have the honour of being a life member. I was initiated into this lodge on 24th August, 1891 when R. W. Bro. J. C. Morgan ably assisted the

late W. Bro. W. C. McLean, who was the W. M. at that time, in introducing me to the light of Masonry. W. Bro. Campbell, of Northern Light Lodge No. 266, Stayner, very ably exemplified a degree as did also W. Bro. Stewart of Kerr Lodge. In each case the work was beautifully done.

Simcoe Lodge No. 79, Bradford. I enjoyed the pleasure of visiting this lodge on the 29th March, along with W. Bro. Stewart and officers from Kerr Lodge, Barrie, where they exemplified a first degree and W. Bro. Scanlon and his officers exemplified a second degree. This was an evening long to be remembered by the brethren of Kerr Lodge and myself for the very pleasant and courteous manner in which we were received and entertained. I regret to have to note that there are a number of brethren in this lodge who have taken the first degree and do not appear to consider it advisable to complete their work in the other degrees. Masonic enthusiasm does not appear to be growing.

Victoria Lodge No. 470, Victoria Harbour. I visited this lodge with W. Bro. Doidge and his officers from Orillia Lodge. The home lodge exemplified a first degree and the brethren from Orillia exemplified a third. A board of trial was very efficiently exemplified by V. W. Bro. W. H. Tudhope and W. Bro. J. C. Miller, of Orillia, assisted by W. Bro. Dr. Porter, of Victoria Lodge. The work is sure to be a success and Victoria Lodge cannot help but prosper under the management of W. Bro. Dr. McPhee and his many willing and efficient P. Ms.

Karnak Lodge No. 492, Coldwater. On April 29th, the sixth anniversary of this lodge, W. Bro. G. A. Beck with his officers and many of Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene, went with me to visit and exemplify a third degree, while W. Bro. Millard and his officers exemplified a first degree. V. W. Bro. W. H. Tudhope and W. Bro. Miller, of Orillia Lodge, assisted by Bro. W. H. Tallman, of Penetanguishene, very ably exemplified a board of trial. Karnak Lodge cannot do anything but

succeed under its efficient staff of officers. The lodge is to be congratulated for its progress and prosperity.

Northern Light Lodge No. 266, Stayner. On April 30th it was my pleasure to visit this lodge with W. Bro. Felt, of Corinthian Lodge, Barrie and his very efficient staff of officers, where a degree was exemplified by both of these lodges with great credit to each. On this visit there were many officers and brethren from Kerr Lodge No 230, and other lodges both in and out of this district. A very profitable and enjoyable evening was spent.

Caledonian Lodge No. 249, Midland. On May 10th W. Bro. Millard with officers and brethren of Karnak Lodge, Coldwater, paid a visit with me, where both lodges exemplified degrees in a very creditable manner. The lodge room was crowded with members and visiting brethren from Orillia, Victoria Harbour, Barrie, Elmvale, Port McNicholl, and Penetanguishene. W. Bro. Coon and his officers are very efficient in their work and Caledonian Lodge is to be complimented on its choice. At this meeting it was my pleasure, on behalf of the officers and brethren of Caledonian Lodge to present to W. Bro. W. E. Preston a beautiful P. M's. jewel. The I. P. M., W. Bro. McTavish was not able to be present and the pleasure of presenting him with his jewel had to be deferred to a more convenient date. W. Bro. R. D. Keefe, of Georgian Lodge, Penetanguishene, gave an excellent and instructive address on the figure three in Masonry, delighting the brethren by the entertaining manner in which the subject was handled.

Orillia Lodge No. 192, Orillia. On May 14th Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie, visited with me and exemplified a degree in their exemplary manner, which is always as perfect as it is possible to be done. W. Bro. Doidge, of Orillia Lodge, with his officers also exemplified their work with equal efficiency. There were many visitors from Corinthian Lodge, Barrie; Caledonian, Midland; Karnak Coldwater; Victoria, Victoria Harbour; and Geor-

gian, Penetanguishene; also many brethren from outside the district favoured us with their presence and assistance.

Coronation Lodge No. 466, Elmvale. It was on May 21st that I had the pleasure of the company of W. Bro. Coon with his officers, P. Ms. and brethren of Caledonian Lodge, Midland, to visit Coronation Lodge with me, where they were most enthusiastically received by W. Bro. Ritchie and his brethren. Both lodges exemplified degrees. W. Bro. Ritchie and his officers could not make it convenient to visit any other lodge to exemplify a degree, but whenever it was possible as many as could do so visited with me on my visits of fraternal visiting, thereby showing their appreciation of my idea instead of a lodge of instruction.

Minerva Lodge No. 304, Stroud. May 25th was the time set for the brethren of Simcoe Lodge No. 79, Bradford to visit the brethren of Minerva Lodge. This was certainly a success so far as numbers were concerned. The lodge room was so crowded with visitors from many of the other lodges in the district that it was impossible for any degree work to be done, and as I had examined the work of both these lodges on previous occasions, no work in particular was exemplified. The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church prepared a most elaborate repast.

Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene. May 27th was certainly the crowning evening of my career as District Deputy of Georgian District No. 9. This being the lodge I represent as D.D. G.M. and being the last of my official visits. The brethren of Victoria Lodge Victoria Harbour, exemplified a third degree. W. Bro. McPhee was assisted by his most efficient staff of officers and P. Ms., and in a very excellent manner exemplified the degree. There were about eighty visiting brethren from almost every lodge in the district. It was the unanimous decision of all that fraternal visiting was far in advance of the old time Lodge of Instruction.

Finally I wish to thank all the brethren for their hearty support in all my undertakings and the assistance which they so ably and willingly gave to me during my year's work. On each of my visits a banquet was tendered at the close of the evening where the brethren intermingled for mutual intercourse and acquaintance and new friendships formed which will long remain in the memory of all the brethren. On the whole I found the lodges were in charge of well skilled officers and the business carefully looked after, and that most of the lodges have paid their full quota to the Belgian Relief which the M. W. the Grand Master so thoughtfully instituted, and which has met with such hearty approval throughout the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge.

It is with great pleasure that I feel it is my privilege to compliment my predecessors for the very efficient condition to which they have brought the standard of Masonry in this district, and I feel sure that I can leave the district in the hands of my successor feeling that the brethren will assist him as they have assisted me, and the high standard will continue to exist in the future.

Fraternally submitted.

W. J. MARTIN, D.D.G.M.,
Georgian District No. 9.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9a.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit for your consideration my report of the condition and progress of Masonry in Georgian District No. 9a.

Before proceeding with the main contents of my report, I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the brethren in the district for the honour they conferred on me in electing me D.D.G.M., and for the uniform courtesy, kindness and hospitality extended to me throughout the district. I wish also to thank every member of Manitoba Lodge (my mother lodge) for their unceasing kindness to me, and I wish particularly to thank W. Bros. W. McGowan and W. G. MacKay for the assistance and advice they gave me on many occasions.

It was with considerable diffidence I accepted the office so unanimously tendered me, and while realizing the responsibilities and duties connected with the office, I have endeavoured to faithfully discharge the same, and for any shortcomings or failures on my part I crave your indulgence.

Immediately after my election I appointed Bro. Rev. T. N. Low, of Spry Lodge, District Chaplain, and W. Bro. W. G. MacKay, of Manitoba Lodge, District Secretary, and addressed a circular to all the lodges in the district informing them of my election.

Official Visits.

Tottenham Lodge No. 467, Tottenham. I paid my official visit to this lodge on March 24th. The first degree was conferred in a very impressive, though not word perfect manner, by W. Bro. Mc Kenzie. The other officers had their work well in hand. The Senior and Junior Wardens gave the lectures in a very creditable manner. I congratulate this lodge on having such an efficient and pains-

taking Secretary; his books are neatly and correctly kept. At the present time this lodge is in a more prosperous condition than it has been for some years. I was cordially received by the brethren.

Lorne Lodge No. 377, Shelburne. I visited Lorne Lodge on March 25th. The attendance, owing to the inclemency of the weather and to some other meetings in town, was not as large as the brethren expected. However, we had a good meeting. The W. M., W. Bro. W. M. Berwick exemplified the third degree in a very creditable manner. I had the Wardens give the lectures and they gave them in an extra good and impressive manner. Secretary is very efficient, the other officers performed their work in a satisfactory manner.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, Flesherton. Visited this lodge on March 26th. Found the W. M. well skilled in his work. He exemplified the first degree almost word perfect as well as impressively. Noticed that the junior officers were very prompt at rising and saluting when spoken to by the W. M. The Wardens gave the two lectures in a very accurate and impressive manner. This lodge is apparently imbued with a true Masonic spirit, harmony and goodwill prevail amongst its members. I was very much impressed with the condition in which I found the Secretary's books. They are without a doubt the best kept books in the district. I spent a couple of hours with the Secretary, W. Bro. Blackburn, and found in him a Mason of the first quality. This lodge has a bright future before it.

Dundalk Lodge No. 449, Dundalk. On my visit to this lodge on March 29th, W. Bro. Wilson exemplified the second degree in a very creditable manner. The Junior Warden gave the lecture well. The junior officers are deficient in some of the minor details of the ceremony. The W. M. gave the charge (which I in all cases insisted on being given) in an impressive manner. There seems to be lack of interest in this lodge and there does not seem to be the best of Masonic feeling existing amongst the members.

Hiram Lodge No. 490, Markdale. On my visit to this lodge on March 30th W. Bro. (Rev.) R. M. McPhalen and his able staff of officers initiated a candidate who appeared to have all the qualifications for making a good Mason. This is the youngest lodge in the district, having only a membership of 38, consequently the attendance was small. I must say that I never heard the work of the W. M. given in a more impressive manner. It was, however, by no means word perfect. All the junior officers had their work well, particularly the J. W. and I. G., W. Bro. J. Gilfillan, P.M., who gave the charge in an excellent manner. This lodge has an excellent staff of officers and a bright future.

North Star Lodge No. 322 and St. George's Lodge No. 88, Owen Sound. On March 31st I had the extreme pleasure of visiting a joint meeting of North Star No. 322 and St. George's No. 88, Owen Sound. There was a large attendance of members and visitors. I was very much impressed with the deputation of six P. D.D.G.Ms. who introduced me to the W. M. and brethren.

St. George's Lodge exemplified the first degree in a creditable and accurate manner, so much so that I had very little scope for adverse criticism, the J. W. gave the lecture in a very impressive manner, the charge was given in a faultless manner by P. D. D. G. M., G. Menzie. All the junior officers had the work well in hand. The Secretary is an expert in keeping books, a good Secretary is one of the most important officers of a lodge.

North Star Lodge exemplified the second degree in a highly satisfactory manner which reflected great credit on the W. M., W. Bro. John McQuaker and his officers. The candidate passed a very satisfactory examination before being advanced The Deacons and I. G. ably performed the duties of their respective offices. The Senior and Junior Wardens were extra good in their work. The charge was well rendered. The success of these two lodges is due to the truly Masonic spirit which seems to prevail amongst the brethren. After the meeting a splendid banquet and programme were

indulged in. This was one of the best meetings in the district, and I can assure you that Masonry in Owen Sound is in a healthy condition.

Spry Lodge No. 385, Beeton. Paid my official visit to this lodge on April 26th. We had a good attendance of members and visitors. W. Bro. D. S. Morrow, W. M., and his officers exemplified a third degree in a most satisfactory manner, just a few minor details lacking. Spry Lodge is flourishing and needless to say it is on account of the interest taken in Masonry by the P. Ms. I find that where a lodge has a good Secretary the work goes along more smoothly than would otherwise, this lodge is no exception to the rule.

Nitetis Lodge No. 444, Creemore. Visited this lodge on April 27th. W. Bro. J. Pengelly, one of the charter members of the lodge, is W. M., and from the manner in which he occupies the chair, should be an impetus to the younger members. There was a good attendance and the seats in the East were occupied by P. Ms. of the lodge. Among them was W. Bro. Joseph Hood, the father of Masonry in Creemore, he is very enthusiastic and seldom misses a lodge meeting. A Fellowcraft degree was put on by the W. M. and officers in a very creditable manner. The lecture was well given by the S. W., P. M., J. Lennox gave the charge in a faultless manner. The books are excellently kept by the efficient Secretary.

Seven Star Lodge No. 285, Alliston. Officially visited this lodge on April 28th. The work of the evening was initiation which was done in almost a faultless manner by W. Bro. W. H. McGill, W. M. and his officers. The lecture was well given by the J. W. and the charge delivered by W. Bro. Norris in an accurate and impressive manner. The Secretary is an efficient officer. This lodge can boast of having commodious quarters and, better still, owning them. There is a bright future before it.

Report of visit of R. W. Bro. R. J. Sprott, P.D.D. G.M., Georgian District No. 9, on the occasion of the official visit of R. W. Bro. T. Mc Knight, D.D.G.M., Georgian District No. 9a, to Manitoba Lodge No. 236, Cookstown.

On May 4th, at the request of R. W. Bro. T. McKnight, D.D.G.M., Georgian District No. 9a, I visited Manitoba Lodge No. 236, Cookstown, this being the mother lodge of R. W. Bro. T. McKnight. At this meeting a third degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Tomlinson, W. M., assisted by his officers. The work was of an exceptionally high order, each officer showing an efficiency not often equalled. The whole proceedings bore the marks of thorough preparation in every detail of the work, and the officers are to be highly commended for the splendid manner in which they discharged their various duties. A large number of visitors were present from Alliston, Beeton, Bradford and Barrie.

At the close of the meeting a banquet was served. Addresses were delivered by the Hon. Jas. S. Duff, Minister of Agriculture, who is an enthusiastic member of this lodge, R. W. Bro. T. McKnight, D.D.G.M., as well as by a number of other brethren. This lodge is making good progress and is under very able supervision.

In conclusion I wish to say that in obedience to the M. W. the Grand Master's request I urgently requested the lodges throughout the district to respond liberally to the Belgian Relief Fund, explaining to them the worthiness of the cause, and, I am pleased to say that the majority of the lodges have donated their quota.

The work throughout the District is being performed in a uniform manner (except the penalties) and in accordance with Grand Lodge requirements.

I was more than pleased with the efficiency shown and it afforded me a great deal of pleasure in nearly every case, to congratulate the officers on the accuracy and impressiveness of the work.

Fraternally submitted.

T. McKNIGHT, D.D.G.M.
Georgian District No. 9a.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Georgian District No. 9a, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd			Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arr'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees?	Insurance			
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.							M. M.	Regular	Emergent										Total		
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	199	13	12	9	13	1					5	13	8	21	35	60	00	14	173	00	Jan. 9	1915	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
236	Manitoba	Cookstown	80	10	10	6	4	1					1	12	4	16	25	96	00	8	100	00	Dec. 30	1914	Good	V. brig.	Yes	300 00
285	Seven Star	Alliston	83	4	6	6	1	2		2			1	13	5	18	16	80	00	8	100	00	June 24	1914	Fair	Good	Yes	1000 00
322	North Star	Owen Sound	188	9	10	8	10	8	1	1	8		1	14	3	17	20	106	00	20	100	00	Feb. 16	1915	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00
333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton	72	5	1	5	5	4		1			1	11	1	12	20	65	00	12	124	00	Dec. 27	1911	Good	Good	Yes	250 00
377	Lorne	Shelburne	82	1	2	2	3	1		3			1	10	2	12	15	29	00	7	34	00	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Fair	Yes	300 00
385	Spry	Becton	77	3	4	1	2	2		2			1	13	2	15	20	80	00	15	75	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
441	Nitetic	Greenore	76	3	4	3	1			1			1	12	1	13	15	80	00	15	75	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Fair	Yes	500 00
449	Dundalk	Dundalk	54	3	3	2	2			1			1	12	1	12	10	52	00				Dec. 27	1914	Good	Good	Yes	125 00
467	Tottenham	Tottenham	64	2	2	2	2	1		6			1	11	1	11	14	32	00	2	18	00	Jan. 11	1914	Good	Good	Yes	125 00
490	Illicam	Markdale	37	2	2	2	3			2			1	5	1	5	14	32	00	2	18	00	Jan. 11	1915	Good	Good	Yes	None

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit herewith my report as D.D.G.M. for Niagara District No. 10, and I take this opportunity of placing on record my pleasure at being able to again serve the district, which was owing to the connection of Col. J. E. Cohoe with military affairs. Representing him as I was, I had an opportunity of practically covering the district a second time, with a few exceptions as shown later herein, and I find that the lodges on the whole have made very material progress in their work, which is gratifying to myself as well as making for the betterment of the craft. I may state that for any sacrifices I may have made I have been amply repaid by the many kindnesses shown me and the true Masonic spirit found while visiting the lodges.

· Official Visits.

Coronation Lodge No. 502, Smithville, visited November 30th, 1914. The work of the evening was an exemplification of the second degree, and was done in a very creditable manner by W. Bro. Trembly and his officers. They have a very efficient Secretary and the books are well kept. They have no outstanding dues which fact is a credit to any lodge.

Clifton Lodge No. 254, Niagara Falls, was visited December 4th, 1914. The work was in the second degree and was well carried out by W. Bro. Wensley and his officers and called for no adverse criticism. A very pleasing event of the evening was the presentation to R. W. Bro. Warren of a Grand Senior Warden's Regalia. The books of this lodge are well kept and the dues well paid up.

Merritt Lodge No. 168, Welland, visited December 25th, 1914. The first degree was put on in a very creditable manner. The floor work was

fairly well done and the J. W's. lecture was well delivered. This lodge is growing steadily and has a large attendance at each meeting. Its books are well kept and dues paid up fairly well

Ivy Lodge No. 115, Beamsville, visited December 29th, 1914, when I had the pleasure of installing the officers for 1915, and seeing the second degree worked by W. Bro. Tufford and his officers. The work was put on in a very satisfactory manner and I found the dues fairly well paid up and the books well kept.

Niagara Lodge No. 2, Niagara-on-the-Lake, was visited on December 30th. The second degree was put on by W. Bro. Lockwood and his officers in a very satisfactory manner and I found all records well kept and dues fairly well paid. I had the pleasant duty of installing the incoming officers for 1915.

Myrtle Lodge No. 337, Port Robinson. January 26th, 1915, was the date of my official visit. This was their first regular meeting after the installation of officers and the first degree was put on by W. Bro. Damude and his officers in a very creditable manner. The floor work was well executed and the J. Ws'. lecture was delivered in a very impressive manner. The books are well kept; the dues well paid up. The attendance at each meeting is large and this lodge would appear to have a bright future.

Mountain Lodge No. 221, Thorold was visited January 27th, 1915. The work was in the third degree and was performed in a very accurate and impressive manner, the floor work especially deserving mention, for which the officers deserve great credit. The books are well kept and all dues are well paid up.

MacNab Lodge No. 169, Port Colborne, visited February 23rd, 1915. The work was in the second degree and well done and the floor work calling for particular mention. The books and records were in good shape and dues well paid up.

Palmer Lodge No. 372, Bridgeburg, March 2nd, 1915. W. Bro. Robinson and his officers exemplified the first degree in a very satisfactory manner on the occasion of my official visit. All the officers had their work up in good form, the books are well kept and the dues well paid up.

Amity Lodge No. 32, Dunnville, was visited on March 3rd, 1915. W. Bro. Yocum and officers worked the first degree in a very efficient manner, leaving no room for criticism. I found the dues well paid up and the books kept in a satisfactory manner.

St. John's Lodge No. 35, Cayuga, put on the work of the third degree on March 4th. The work was done in a very satisfactory manner. On looking over their records I found the same well kept and the dues well paid.

St. Mark's Lodge No. 105, Niagara Falls South was visited on March 9th, and the third degree was well worked by W. Bro. Braund and officers. Music has been made a part of the ceremony and makes the work more interesting. The books are well kept and the dues fairly well paid up. I had previously installed the officers of this lodge on December 28th, 1914.

Hiram Lodge No. 319, Hagersville. On March 25th I paid my official visit. W. Bro. Noxon and his officers opened and closed in the three degrees, which was well done. The officers were well posted in their work. I found the books well kept and the dues fairly well paid up. Enniskillen Lodge No. 185, of York, Ontario, made a fraternal visit to Hiram Lodge on that evening and exemplified the second degree in a very efficient manner.

King Edward VII. Lodge No. 471, Chippawa, put on the work of the first degree on the occasion of my official visit on April 7th in a very creditable manner. The W. M., officers and members of Clifton Lodge were present on a fraternal visit as

guests of W. Bro. Weaver and officers of King Edward VII. Lodge. I had the pleasure of installing the officers of this lodge on December 26th, 1914.

Copestone Lodge No. 373, Welland, April 29th, 1915. The second degree was worked in a very creditable manner by W. Bro. Hall and his officers. The officers are well posted in their work and records were well kept. The dues were fairly well paid up.

By consent of the M. W. the Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Merriman assisted me by visiting several lodges of the district, and reports as follows:—

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 103, St. Catharines, December 31st, 1914. A very large attendance. The chair was occupied by W. Bro. R. A. Hare. Books and records found in good shape.

Temple Lodge No. 296, St. Catharines, February 24th, 1915.

Union Lodge No. 7, Grimsby, February 25th, 1915. Had a splendid meeting on this date. The work was in the third degree under the direction of R. W. Bro. Drope.

King Solomon Lodge No. 329, Jarvis, March 26th, 1915. Third degree, R. W. Bro. J. Noble presiding. The attendance was large and included a goodly number of Past Masters.

St. George's Lodge No. 15, St. Catharines, March 30th, 1915. An official visit was paid and the first degree was put on by the officers of the lodge.

Seymour Lodge No. 277, Port Dalhousie, visited March 31st, 1915. The lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees. The attendance was large, W. M., W. G. Sutton presiding.

Belgian Relief Fund.

I herewith desire to put on record my thanks to the various lodges of the district for their prompt response to my circular letter, appealing for speedy payment towards this worthy cause. The reports of Grand Lodge will show in detail that but a very small percentage of this fund, in this district, is now unpaid.

Fraternally submitted.

G. H. BROWN, Acting D.D.G.M.,
Niagara District No. 10.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Niagara District No. 10, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem-ber-ship		Degr's Confi'd	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance						
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year								Decrease during year	E. A.										F. C.	M. M.	Regular	Emergency	Total	
2	Niagara.....	Niagara	149	8	7	6	5	8	2			4	13	3	16	41	298	00	12	175	00	Dec. 31	1914	Good	Yes	700	00	
7	Union.....	Grimsby	148		3	11	10	6		2	9		6	17	21	237	40	300	00	Dec.	300	00	Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	300	00
15	St. George.....	St. Catharines, . . .																							Good	Yes	400	00
32	Amity . . .	Dunville, . . .	91	3	1	2	2	2		1			12	1	13	22	15	00	20	96	00	March 6	1915	Good	Yes	400	00	
35	St. John's . . .	Cayuga, . . .	236	8		9	9	5		1			4	12	8	20	37	360	00	32	450	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	300	00
103	Maple Leaf . . .	St. Catharines, . . .	171		2	7	12	2		1	1		5	14	8	22	33	217	75	29	156	10	Dec. 28	1914	Fair	Yes	700	00
105	St. Mark's . . .	Niagara Falls, . . .	138	10	9	10	7	3		1	5		13	21	30	50	00	14	57	00	Dec. 29	1914	Good	Yes				
115	Ivy . . .	Beamsville . . .	152	15	7	14	14	8	1	2	4		1	12	10	22	40	32	134	50	Dec. 30	1914	Good	Yes	600	00		
168	Merritt . . .	Welland . . .	100	7	11	9	9	1		1	7		1	14	10	24	20	3	5	00	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Yes	300	00		
169	McNab . . .	Pt. Colborne, . . .	31	5	1	5	4	4					1	12	7	19	14	8	50	4	18	00	Dec.	1914	Fair	Yes	300	00
185	Enniskillen . . .	York, . . .	166	13	11	10	11	2	1				1	13	6	19	50	10	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	500	00			
221	Mountain . . .	Thorold . . .	255	20	4	15	17	21	4	1	2		1	12	16	28	35	285	00	52	410	50	Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	500	00
254	Clifton . . .	Niagara Falls . . .	74	1	1	1	1	1					1	1	4	15	28	450	00	10	78	25	June 24	1915	Fair	Yes	500	00
277	Seymour . . .	Pt. Dalhousie . . .	134	3	1	3	6	5					3	10	5	15	35			10	40	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes		
296	Temple . . .	St. Catharines, . . .	95		2	3	2	2		6			2	9	4	13	15	319	00	9	41	00	Dec.	1914	Fair	Yes	500	00
319	Hiram . . .	Hagersville, . . .	69	1	4	1	1	1		3			2	9	4	13	15	319	00	9	41	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	500	00
329	Kg. Solomon . . .	Jarvis, . . .	55	3	9	3	3	3		8			9	3	12	15				8		Dec. 30	1914	Good	Yes	350	00	
337	Myrtle . . .	Pt. Robinson . . .	81	3	3	3	3	2					9	1	10	18				2	125	00	May 10	1915	Fair	No	500	00
338	Dufferin . . .	Wellandport . . .	112	3	3	3	3	5		2			1	12	5	17	22	110	00	12	41	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	400	00
372	Palmer . . .	Bridgeburg . . .	139	3	3	7	7	2		2	1		1	13	7	20	20	333	50	5	27	00	Dec. 26	1914	Good	Yes	700	00
373	Copestone . . .	Welland . . .	54	1	1	1	1	1		1			12	12	16			16	94	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	350	00		
471	Kg. Edward vii . . .	Chippawa . . .	49	8		7	10	8	1				14	5	19	23	48	00				Dec. 31	1914	Good	Yes	500	00	
502	Coronation . . .	Smithville . . .																						Excel't	Yes	500	00	

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 11.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:-

Having now made the last of my official visits of inspection to the lodges in Toronto West District No. 11, I may consider practically completed a year, which, while probably the most strenuous of my life, would at the same time, but for the thick cloud of national depression which has been overhanging since the beginning of August last, have proven the happiest. As it is, our pleasures have necessarily felt the restraint of our national trials and much sorrow has mingled with our joys. We have all friends and acquaintances at the front, large numbers of them members of our Masonic order, for whom we have felt a natural anxiety, and now that their names have begun to appear in the casualty lists the fact that Canada as well as Great Britain is at war has been brought home to us all, and we are beginning to realize the immensity of the struggle in which we are engaged. While sometimes of late it has been difficult to really feel that the sun will again appear, yet

“Our hope is, a sun will pierce
The thickest cloud earth ever stretched.”

I desire to make this public recognition of the very hearty manner in which I have been welcomed by the lodges throughout the district, many of which I visited on more than one occasion, and of the very many kindnesses and courtesies shown me by the officers and brethren. While I know that much of this was due to the official position I occupy as the representative of the Grand Master, and had its inception in the loyalty of the brethren to, and their esteem of the Grand Master, yet I shall ever be personally grateful to the brethren of District No. 11, for all they have done to make my year of office a pleasant memory during the remainder of my life.

I appointed W. Bro. D. G. Sturrock, a P. M. of Zetland Lodge, as District Secretary, and I am deeply grateful to him for having consented to undertake the arduous duties of that office in the district which now comprises the largest number of lodges of any in the jurisdiction. W. Bro. Sturrock acted as District Secretary in the year 1909 and his experience has not only been of great assistance to me but also, I am satisfied, of much value to the district. He accompanied me on nearly all of my official visits and a number of others. His self-sacrificing devotion has, I am sure, earned for him a large place in the esteem of the brethren.

W. Bro. Rev. Henry Earle, the Master of Mississauga Lodge (U.D.) Port Credit, kindly consented to accept the office of District Chaplain. At the lodges to which he was able to accompany me he was well received and I am satisfied will always be a welcome visitor.

Before reporting in detail of my visits to the respective lodges, there are some matters of general interest to which reference may be made.

This is not the place to specially mention the Provincial Lodge of Instruction held in Toronto, in October last, further than to say that the attendance thereat of the District Deputies from all over the province created an interest which I believe must have been an inspiration to each and an assistance in the work he had to do.

It was at this Provincial Lodge of Instruction that the Belgian Relief Fund was inaugurated with such enthusiasm. In this district it was most cordially received. With a view to having the full amount asked for contributed at the earliest possible moment, I not only sent out an urgent circular to each lodge, but in November and December I personally visited in the special interest of this fund every lodge that, allowing for conflicting dates of meeting, it was possible to attend. This nearly doubled my visits during the season but I gladly gave the necessary time, and I am very happy to say that in practically every instance in which I

had the privilege of personally appealing on behalf of this fund the amount was at once voted and paid. By the early part of January very little remained unpaid in this district, and while, at the time of writing, there are, I believe, three lodges which have not fully paid their quota, the small deficits in connection with these three have been more than counter-balanced by overpayments by some of the other lodges. I am deeply grateful to the lodges which so sympathetically received the appeals I made on behalf of this deserving fund and so promptly responded thereto.

Feeling somewhat strongly that the lodges which meet in the smaller towns and villages and rural districts have not the same opportunity which lodges meeting in our cities enjoy for comparing their work with that of others, and particularly as the officers of the lodges in Toronto had an opportunity of attending the Provincial Lodge of Instruction in October, I considered it in the best interests of the district to hold a District Lodge of Instruction at a point as nearly as possible in the centre of the district. Taking all things into consideration, the most suitable place appeared to be Woodbridge, and Blackwood Lodge not only placed their Hall at our disposal, but consented to exemplify the first degree. The meeting was held on Wednesday, January 6th, 1915, under dispensation to Blackwood Lodge No. 311, and was attended by representatives of every rural lodge but two and also of several of the city lodges. The exemplification of all three degrees, the E. A. by Blackwood Lodge, the F. C. by Humber Lodge No. 305, Weston, and the M. M. by Ionic Lodge No. 229, Brampton, reflected great credit upon all who took part therein. Our thanks are due to them for the painstaking care and time which they gave to preparation for this meeting.

I have very great pleasure in bearing witness to the harmony and good Masonic feeling which appears everywhere to exist. There has not come to my attention any indication of the slightest discord. There is also evidence of growth and prosperity in a large majority of the lodges. Most of

them have added to their number, many of them very considerably. The large attendance at the meetings must have been very cheering and encouraging to the officers. In my Masonic experience I have never seen meetings so well attended as were the large majority of those at which I was present during the past season. So far as my observation goes, and comparing it with recollections of previous years I am of the opinion that there is general improvement in the manner in which the degrees are conferred, that in many cases the officers are taking a more studious interest in the ceremonies, giving more attention to detail and manifesting a greater pride in the reputation of their lodge, for presenting our ritual in a manner likely to impress the candidate with the truths it is intended to teach. At all events, where effort had been put forth in this direction it was apparent by the results obtained.

I am not, however, able to bear testimony to the knowledge displayed generally of the provisions of the Constitution. I imagine every D.D.G.M. has had experience as to the delay, and even difficulty, which occurs before he succeeds in having the lodge summonses regularly mailed to him. Then a little later, when in most of the lodges the officers are changed, there is not infrequently another interregnum. One can only assume that the Master is not acquainted with the provisions of Section 164.

The same section requires a certified list of officers to be forwarded to the D.D.G.M. immediately after the installation. One of these lists I have not yet received and there were others which were not received till after their attention had been called to the omission.

Under section 219 the D.D.G.M. is to be notified of all suspensions and restorations. If this has been obeyed there has not been a single member in this district suspended during the year. I have been notified of one restoration.

Section 243 enacts "The proceedings at any procession, *including a funeral*, which may be at-

tended by the brethren, shall be immediately reported by the Master or Masters of the lodges taking par therein, to the Grand Master through the Grand Secretary *and to the District Deputy Grand Masters of the districts in which the lodges are respectively situated.*" I am not officially aware that any Masonic funeral took place in District No. 11 during the past year.

According to all the sections referred to it is mandatory upon the Master of the lodge to cause the various notices, etc., to be forwarded. It must, therefore, be that many of the Masters are unacquainted with a number of the duties for which the Constitution makes them responsible. Section 149 provides that a Master must be familiar with his duties before being installed. How would it do for Grand Lodge to provide a form of Certificate to be signed by the Examining Board, in which the members of that Board shall certify not only as to ability of the Master-elect to confer the various degrees, but also that he is familiar with the various duties of the Master as set forth in the Constitution?

On the other hand, there are a number of subjects upon which the Constitution is indefinite. Section 190 does not name the number of members which shall compose a committee of enquiry, nor does Section 191 clearly indicate what shall constitute a favorable report. Having been asked some questions with reference to this subject, I communicated with the Grand Secretary who was kind enough to send me the following information, which I communicated by circular to the Masters of all the lodges in Toronto West District, and which I am repeating here for the information of any others who may read this report, if such there be:

(1) The number which composes a committee of inquiry is usually three, but might be more or less, according to the discretion of the W. M., though it is better to have an odd number.

(2) A favourable report of a majority of the committee is sufficient, and an unfavourable report of a majority would also be sufficient to reject.

(3) The Master usually appoints the committee publicly; there is no absolute rule with regard to this however. Circumstances might arise under which the W. M. might not think it advisable to announce the names at the time of appointment, but the names should be recorded in the minutes and confirmed at the next regular meeting.

With its thirty lodges, this district has now grown to such proportions as to be too great a tax upon the time of the District Deputy. It may be urged that as eighteen of the lodges are in the city, they are more readily reached than if it were a rural district with one-half or two-thirds the number of lodges. But in the city lodges there are in the course of the season one or more, frequently several, "Special nights" to which the officers are kind enough to send the District Deputy invitations, which they expect him to attend, and which indeed it is a pleasure for him to attend if his engagements permit. So that instead of making thirty visits he finds himself confronted with the necessity of making double that number and with the further necessity of declining as many more which it is impossible to reach. I believe the time has come when it would be in the interests of Masonry in the two Toronto districts if they were again rearranged and divided into three, which might be known as Toronto West, Toronto Centre and Toronto East.

I wish to make a reference to one other subject, one which I have no doubt has been considered before but yet seems to be of such vital interest that even if it is a difficult one Grand Lodge should not for that reason hesitate to grapple with it. At present Grand Lodge meets in July. In a few lodges the officers have then been elected and installed. In the greater number they will not be installed till December or January. The few which have already held their installations may be visited in the Autumn. In the large proportion (twenty-five out of thirty in this district) no visit can be made till January or later. Only an occasional one cares to receive the D.D.G.M. the first night the new officers are in the chairs and the result is that

nearly all the work of the year has to be crowded into about three months, and it is with extreme difficulty, owing to conflicting dates of meeting, that all the official visits can be arranged. It would unquestionably be a distinct advantage if the installations in all the lodges took place about one time and if these could better "synchronize" with the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. In connection with that, might we not also consider whether at present Grand Lodge meets at the most suitable time of the year? At the risk of being considered revolutionary, I would like to suggest for the consideration of Grand Lodge whether elections in September, Installations in October, and a meeting of Grand Lodge in October or the early part of November, might not better suit a larger number of the brethren, and, if so, it seems to me there can be no doubt it would be of great advantage in simplifying the labours both of the District Deputies and also of the officers of the lodges.

Official Visits.

Union.....	118	Schomberg.....	Nov. 2, 1914
True Blue.....	98	Bolton.....	Nov. 6, 1914
Temple.....	UD	Toronto.....	Nov. 24, 1914
Humber.....	305	Weston.....	Nov. 27, 1914
Patterson.....	265	Thornhill.....	Dec. 2, 1914
St. Alban's.....	514	Toronto.....	Jan. 18, 1915
Ashlar.....	247	Toronto.....	Jan. 26, 1915
Peel.....	468	Caledon East.....	Jan. 29, 1915
Alpha.....	384	Toronto.....	Feb. 4, 1915
King Solomon's.....	22	Toronto.....	Feb. 11, 1915
Ionic.....	229	Brampton.....	Feb. 16, 1915
York.....	156	Toronto.....	Feb. 19, 1915
Harmony.....	438	Toronto.....	Feb. 22, 1915
Zetland.....	326	Toronto.....	Feb. 26, 1915
Rehoboam.....	65	Toronto.....	March 4, 1915
Mount Sinai.....	522	Toronto.....	March 9, 1915
Parkdale.....	510	Toronto.....	March 12, 1915
Wilson.....	86	Toronto.....	March 16, 1915
Corinthian.....	481	Toronto.....	March 22, 1915
University.....	496	Toronto.....	March 25, 1915
Riverpark.....	356	Streetsville.....	March 30, 1915
Stanley.....	426	Toronto.....	April 6, 1915

Connaught.....	501	Toronto	April 8, 1915
Victoria.....	474	Toronto	April 20, 1915
Occident.....	346	Toronto	April 21, 1915
Blackwood.....	311	Woodbridge.....	April 23, 1915
Robertson.....	292	King.....	April 26, 1915
Mimico.....	369	Lambton Mills.....	April 27, 1915
Mississauga.....	UD	Port Credit.....	April 29, 1915
Vaughan.....	54	Maple.....	May 19, 1915

Union Lodge No. 118, Schomberg. My first visit of inspection was to Union Lodge on November 2nd. There was an excellent attendance of members. W. Bro. M. K. Dillane and his officers conferred the M. M. degree upon a candidate in an impressive manner. While some of the junior officers will do better when they have had more practice, the work of the W. M. who occupied the chair five years previously, furnished evidence that he has not grown "rusty" in the interim. The opening and closing in the three degrees were satisfactorily done. The lodge is in good financial condition, owns its hall, which is a commodious and well appointed lodge room, and while not receiving many candidates at present is thoroughly harmonious. A number of faithful P. Ms., including W. Bro. Stewart, the Secretary, were present. On my presenting the claims of the Belgian Fund, the lodge immediately voted its full quota.

True Blue Lodge No. 98, Bolton. I visited this lodge on November 6th. For some years it has felt the effect of the migration not only of many of its members but also of most of its P. Ms. At present only three P. Ms. reside in the neighborhood and there has been much difficulty in keeping the junior offices filled with brethren who can be advanced to the East. W. Bro. G. A. Norton and W. Bro. Leavens have for many years been the mainstay of the lodge, faithfully assisted in later years by W. Bro. Robert Smith, the present Secretary. W. Bro. Norton is this year the presiding officer. Considering the small resident membership, there was an excellent attendance, though some of the officers were absent. The E. A. degree was conferred upon what appeared to be a very

promising candidate. W. Bro. Norton's long acquaintance with the ceremony was apparent, but he was to some extent handicapped by the absence of some and the want of rehearsal on the part of others of the officers. The perseverance with which these brethren have continued for a number of years to keep the fires of Masonry burning in Bolton is worthy of every encouragement. They must often have felt greatly discouraged, but their faithful efforts appear to be meeting with greater success which there is reason to hope will increase. Fortunately they own a very good lodge room and their financial position was strong enough to warrant their immediately voting to pay their quota to the Belgian Relief Fund, though to do so rendered it necessary to defer to a future date some improvements they had contemplated making this winter. Self sacrifice of this kind for the benefit of the suffering and destitute affords the best evidence that the spirit of Masonry lives in True Blue Lodge and will survive.

Temple Lodge (U.D.) Toronto, Tuesday, November 24th, 1914. W. Bro. F. G. I. Whitter, the presiding officer is a P. M. of Victoria Lodge. He has not permitted himself to become unfamiliar with the work and being supported by a staff of earnest officers, the E. A. degree was conferred in a very creditable manner. At this meeting the lodge conferred honorary life membership upon R. W. Bro. John Stephens and V. W. Bro. W. E. Birrell. Temple Lodge is in capable hands, appears to be making healthy progress, and is well entitled to receive its charter. The brethren made a prompt and hearty response to my appeal on behalf of the Belgian Relief Fund and the full amount was sent in a few days after my visit.

Humber Lodge No. 305, Weston, November 27th, 1914. W. Bro. C. C. Grubbe and his officers initiated a candidate in an impressive manner. They are earnest students of the work and I have no doubt that with the increased confidence which is soon acquired from opportunity of actual rendition of the ceremonies, any noticeable imperfections will have been removed. It was a pleasure to see

the continued interest of such old P. Ms. as W. Bro. Edward Eagle and Jacob Bull, who are noted for their regular attendance. Indeed, the P. Ms. of Humber Lodge appear generally to be very loyal to it. W. Bro. Silverthorne and some of the P. Ms. and members of Mimico Lodge No. 369, Lambton Mills, were welcome visitors at this meeting. The friendly feeling and intercourse existing between these two lodges is, I believe, beneficial to both. The promptness with which the brethren adopted my suggestion and by a unanimous vote immediately subscribed their full quota of one dollar per member to the Belgian Fund was most gratifying.

Patterson Lodge No. 265, Thornhill. In order that I might avail myself of the late car to Toronto which is not run on their regular meeting nights, the officers of Patterson Lodge very kindly and thoughtfully suggested holding an Emegent meeting for my visit of inspection, which they did on Wednesday, December 2nd, 1914. There was a large attendance of members and visitors from a number of surrounding lodges. Not having a candidate, the first degree was exemplified upon one of their brethren. The present officers had not previously conferred the degree, and, as there had not been any rehearsals, it is not surprising that the work was not as smoothly rendered as could have been desired. The J. W. acquitted himself well in his "Lecture." Considerable improvements have been made in their hall, and the lodge is comfortably housed, but at present the membership is not increasing to any extent. I presented the claims of the Belgian Fund, and partial payments have been made.

St. Alban's Lodge No. 514. St. Alban's re-elected all its officers, so I was welcomed early in the new year, viz., on January 18th. The occasion was converted to some extent into an inspection of, instead of by, the D.D.G.M. The Master of St. Alban's is R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, a P. M. of Ionic Lodge No. 25, and a Past District Deputy of No. 11a, who is well known as one who can be depended upon to do the unexpected. I do not know whether he retains a working knowledge of

the ritual as I have never seen him exemplify it. He persuaded me to occupy the chair and take the Master's portion of the initiation ceremony which I did with the assistance of two visiting W. Ms. The other officers took their part of the ceremony in a creditable manner.

St. Alban's was constituted and consecrated on October 19th, 1914, by the M. W. the Grand Master. I had the privilege of assisting in the ceremonies and among other present, and past Grand Lodge officers taking part were R. W. Bro. John Tanner, G.J.W.; R. W. Bro. Henry A. Taylor, P.G.S.W.; R. W. Bros. F. G. Inwood, James Haywood and John Stephens, P.D.D.G.Ms.; R. W. Bro. R. J. Gibson, G. Reg.; V. W. Bro. C. E. Edmonds, G. D. of C.; V. W. Bro. J. B. Hutchins, G. Organist; V. W. Bro. A. Curran, P.G. D. of C. The membership has increased very rapidly and the lodge is apparently most prosperous. It promptly voted its full quota to the Belgian Fund.

Ashlar Lodge No. 247. There was a good attendance of members at Ashlar Lodge on January 26th, 1915, and a number of visitors, among the latter M. W. Bro. D. J. Goggin, R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, V. W. Bro. K. J. Dunstan and W. Bro. George Evans, the Master of Ionic Lodge No. 25, and a number of his officers and members. The Master of Ashlar, W. Bro. V. Boyd, is an earnest student of Masonic ritual, thoroughly painstaking in his methods. He and his officers conferred the E. A. degree in a very satisfactory manner. Ashlar appears to continue to prosper. Its quota of the Belgian Fund was paid early in 1915.

Peel Lodge No. 468, Caledon East. On January 29th, 1915, I journeyed to Caledon East. Hearing during the day that W. Bro. Sturrock was unable to accompany me, R. W. Bro. James Haywood volunteered to do so and I greatly appreciate his kindness. The brethren of Peel Lodge were also very glad to see him again. This lodge is in a prosperous condition. It owns a very comfortable hall and has an enthusiastic lot of members. In Bro. Phillips it has a very capable and energetic Secre-

tary, who has rendered excellent service for a number of years. A candidate who had been expected was unable to be present but the W. M. and officers exemplified the first degree. There were evidences of nervousness but on the whole the work was creditable and I am satisfied the officers can give even a better account of themselves on another occasion. Some time previous to my visit Peel Lodge had contributed more than its full quota to the Belgian Fund.

Alpha Lodge No. 384. My official visit to Alpha Lodge was made at their regular meeting February 4th, 1915. The first degree was conferred upon a candidate in an impressive manner, the Master, W. Bro. Lorne Henderson, being assisted by some of the P. Ms. of the lodge. The S. W., Bro. Ashton Fletcher, is serving the Empire with the First Canadian Contingent. There was a good attendance and Alpha is evidently prospering and harmonious. It paid its full quota to the Belgian Fund promptly.

King Solomon's Lodge No. 22. When I made my visit of inspection to King Solomon's on the 11th February, 1915, there was a very large attendance both of members and visitors, it being one of the largest of the year. Two brothers of the Master were initiated, the degree being conferred by W. Bro. Roberts and the officers in a manner which reflected credit upon the lodge. This old lodge appears to have entered upon a new era of prosperity and usefulness. I was also able to accept invitations to visit King Solomon's on two other occasions; in September, 1914, when the regalia of his office was presented to R. W. Bro. John Tanner, G.J.W., and in March when R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, W.M. of St. Alban's Lodge and his officers visited King Solomon's and occupied the chair. The full quota for the Belgian Fund was received from this lodge early in the season.

Ionic Lodge No. 229, Brampton. At its regular meeting on February 16th, 1915, when I visited this lodge, the F. C. degree was conferred in an

excellent manner. The W. M. and officers of Ionic are earnest students of our ceremonies and are well supported by the members. They have a very comfortable and well appointed lodge room which adds to the pleasure of their meetings. R. W. Bro. W. H. Macfadden, P.D.D.G.M., continues his interest in the lodge and gives them his valuable assistance as Secretary. Ionic made an initial payment on account of the Belgian Fund early in the season and has now, I believe, completed its quota.

York Lodge No. 156. The old lodge meeting in its hall in North Toronto continues to prosper. At my official visit on February 19th, 1915, when there was a large attendance, W. Bro. T. W. Lynn and his officers initiated a son of the W. M., the degree having been conferred in a satisfactory manner. R. W. Bro. R. J. Gibson, Grand Registrar, and R. W. Bro. R. W. Hull, P.G.R., are faithful and popular officers of this lodge, whose services are appreciated.

I also visited York Lodge on November 20th, 1914, to present the claims of the Belgian Fund and was greatly encouraged by the promptness and heartiness with which the brethren voted their full quota, their cheque being sent forward the next day. The election of officers was held and was most harmonious.

Harmony Lodge No. 438, February 22nd, 1915. I was to have visited Harmony on February 22nd, but having been taken suddenly ill the day previous was compelled, very much to my regret, to deprive myself of that privilege. It being too late, in fairness to the lodge, to ask the Master to make other arrangements, the District Secretary communicated with R. W. Bro. Walters who very kindly consented to take my place, for which I am deeply indebted to him. R. W. Bro. Walters reports as follows:

"At your request I visited officially Harmony Lodge No. 438 on the 4th Monday in February. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. L. E.

Bowerman and his officers in a very satisfactory manner. The lodge generally is in a very prosperous state."

Harmony Lodge did Mrs. Smith and me the honour of inviting us to their Ladies' Night on January 25th, when the members and their ladies attended in large numbers and enjoyed an excellent musical programme followed by an exceedingly pleasant "Fourth Degree."

Zetland Lodge No. 326, February 26th, 1915. This being my mother lodge I asked R. W. Bro. Walters to attend with me and report upon the work of the officers, to which he readily and kindly consented. He was accompanied by the W. M. officers and a considerable number of the members of Acacia Lodge. His report is as follows:

"I also visited officially Zetland Lodge No. 326, on the 4th Friday in February. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Donogh and his officers in a manner which must have made a good impression on the candidate. This lodge I also found to be in a very prosperous condition."

Notwithstanding some conflicting dates of meetings of other lodges I had to visit, I was able to attend a number of meetings of my own lodge. Two of these were notable occasions, viz., Zetland's thirteenth annual "Canadian Night" September 25, 1914, and its 40th anniversary on March 26th, 1915. Both these were graced by the presence of the Grand Master and numerous other Grand Lodge officers and distinguished visitors. At the former the toast of "Canada, our Country," was proposed by W. Bro. Right Rev. David Williams, D.D., Lord Bishop of Huron, and was responded to by R. W. Bro. Rev. L. Norman Tucker, M.A., D.C.L., Rector of St. Paul's Church, London, the brethren present having the privilege of hearing two most eloquent and instructive addresses. I feel proud of the fact that Zetland was one of the first lodges in this district to remit its full quota, and a little more, to the Belgian Relief Fund.

Rehoboam Lodge No. 65. On my visit to Rehoboam Lodge, March 4th, 1915, the attendance was almost a "record" it being one of the four or five largest meetings of the year. W. Bro. W. J. S. Graham and his officers initiated a candidate in an impressive and satisfactory manner. I had the privilege of accepting an invitation to Rehoboam's annual Past Masters' and Canadian Night, November 5th, 1914, which was also very largely attended. We were also honoured with invitations to this lodge's Ladies' Night on April 1st, 1915, at which Mrs. Smith and I spent a most enjoyable evening, the musical programme and "Fourth Degree" affording an entertainment of a character which was much appreciated by the large number of ladies and brethren present. Rehoboam contributed its full quota to the Belgian Fund before the end of 1914. The lodge is evidently in a prosperous condition.

Mount Sinai Lodge No. 522. This lodge received its Charter at the Communication of Grand Lodge in July last and on October 16th I was privileged to officiate at its constitution and consecration, and to install its officers. In these ceremonies I was assisted by R. W. Bros. James Haywood, E. M. Carleton and John Stephens, P.D.D. G.Ms., R. W. Bro. John Tanner, G.J.W.; R. W. Bro. Armitage, P.G. Chap.; V. W. Bro. C. E. Edmonds, G.D. of C.; V. W. Bro. A. Curran, P.G.D. of C.; and a number of Past Masters. On the occasion of my visit of inspection, March 9th, 1915, the first degree was conferred upon a candidate in a creditable manner. R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully, a popular P.D.D.G.M. of this district, is the W. M., and is giving the affairs of Mount Sinai faithful attention. I may add that this was the first lodge in District No. 11 from which a contribution was received for the Belgian Fund, and that the amount paid was in excess of its quota.

Parkdale Lodge No. 510. At my official visit to this lodge on March 12th, 1915, I witnessed the initiation of a candidate. The ceremony was rendered in a fairly satisfactory manner, especially in

view of the fact, as I was informed, it was the first time the E. A. degree had been confirmed since the installation of the present W. M. There was a good attendance and, though there appears to be a slight falling off in the number of applications for membership, the lodge appears to be prospering. On 13th November, 1914, I visited Parkdale for the purpose of presenting the claims of the Belgian Relief Fund. A motion to at once contribute one dollar per member was afterwards adopted with but slight opposition. This opposition, however, proved to be persistent and was able to have payment deferred till the next meeting when the question was reconsidered and a resolution adopted to make a partial payment. This is the only city lodge in District No. 11 which did not remit the full sum asked for or more. Fortunatley those lodges which cheerfully paid more than their quota have more than compensated for its deficiency.

Wilson Lodge No. 86. This is another lodge which had an attendance taxing the capacity of the lodge room on the occasion of my visit which took place on March 16th, 1915. W. Bro. Spanner is a conscientious Master and he and his officers had taken some trouble to perfect themselves in the ceremonial work. The result was a very satisfactory presentation of the First degree. In the banquet room the programme took the form of an "Irish Night," and was of an entertaining and thoroughly enjoyable nature. Wilson Lodge voted the amount asked for to the Belgian Fund at its meeting in November, 1914, and remitted the amount promptly.

Corinthian Lodge No. 481. I visited officially March 22nd, 1915, and witnessed the E. A. degree conferred upon a candidate in a manner which, on the whole, reflected credit upon W. Bro. Murray and the officers. Corinthian Lodge did its duty to the Belgian Fund promptly. I was also privileged to accept an invitation to visit Corinthian on September 28th and to be the mouthpiece of the district in presenting to my predecessor, R. W. Bro.

John Stephens, sets of full dress and undress regalia as a mark of the esteem and affection in which he is held throughout the district.

University Lodge No. 496. On March 25th, when I had the pleasure of visiting University Lodge, W. Bro. LePan and his officers initiated a candidate in a creditable manner. University Lodge has made good progress, though the attendance is sometimes a little disappointing to the officers, who are all, I believe, enthusiastic. It voted and paid its full quota to the Belgian Fund in January.

Riverpark Lodge No. 356, Streetsville. My visit of inspection was made to this lodge on March 30th, and I was pleased to see a good attendance of members. The Master, W. Bro. Hubbell, is painstaking and enthusiastic and his portion of the ceremony, which was the passing of a candidate, was conferred in a thoroughly satisfactory manner, and some of the other officers also did well. There were one or two, however, who were unfamiliar with the work. As is often the case in rural lodges, some of the officers live at a considerable distance and rehearsals are not easily arranged without self-sacrifice on the part of some.

River Park Lodge had at the date of my visit made a partial payment on account of the Belgian Fund. I devoted some time to a presentation of it to the members and my remarks appeared to be received sympathetically, and have borne fruit, the lodge having since then contributed their full quota.

Stanley Lodge No. 426. A very large number of the members of Stanley Lodge and also a great many visitors were in attendance at the regular meeting on April 6th, 1915. A candidate was initiated in an impressive manner, the Master being assisted by some of his Past Masters. I was also able to be present at the annual Past Masters' Night, November 19th, 1914. The attendance on that occasion was very gratifying. The P. Ms. who occupied the chairs conferred the E. A. degree in an excellent manner. There is evidence of prosperity in this lodge. It promptly paid its full quota for the relief of the Belgians.

Connaught Lodge No. 501. The membership is not increasing as rapidly as at one time, but the interest is not decreasing. My official visit was made on April 8th, 1915. The first degree was conferred in a satisfactory manner. The officers are enthusiastic and the interests of the lodge appear to be in good hands. An early payment was made of a considerable portion of Connaught's quota of the Belgian Fund, and the small balance which remained has recently been received.

Victoria Lodge No. 474. There is evidently the greatest possible harmony existing between the three lodges meeting in the Masonic Hall, West Toronto. I attended meetings here on five occasions and found a considerable number of the brethren of the three lodges at all five meetings. On the 20th April, 1915, I visited the Victoria Lodge officially and was heartily welcomed by a very large attendance of members and visiting brethren. The initiation ceremony was presented in a very satisfactory manner. The Master was assisted in his efforts by R. W. Bros. H. C. Scully and G. A. M. Davison, P.D.D.G.Ms., and V. W. Bro. A. E. Hagerman, P.G.S.D., the latter two, like the W. M., claiming Unionville as their birthplace.

I was also a visitor at Victoria Lodge on November 17th, 1914, for the purpose of making an appeal on behalf of the Belgian Fund. I am pleased to say that I was met in a most cordial manner, the full amount asked for was voted immediately and the cheque sent in the following day.

Occident Lodge No. 346. On April 21st, 1915, I visited Occident Lodge and witnessed an initiation ceremony very well rendered, notwithstanding the fact that the Master was suffering from a severe cold and had risen from a sick bed to be in his place. There was a good attendance of members and P. Ms. The lodge promptly responded to the Grand Master's call for a dollar per member to relieve distress in Belgium.

Blackwood Lodge No. 311, Woodbridge. The excellent work of W. Bro. Ellis and his officers at the Lodge of Instruction in January led me to expect

further evidence of their interest in our Masonic ceremonies when I visited them on April 23rd, and I was not disappointed. A brother was passed to the Fellow Craft degree in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. There were a number of visitors from Vaughan Lodge, Maple, and Robertson Lodge, King, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Blackwood Lodge completed its payment to the Belgian Fund shortly before the date of my visit.

Robertson Lodge No. 292, King. This old lodge is at present meeting with conditions not altogether encouraging. There has not been an application for membership during the past year, yet on the occasion of my visit, which took place on April 26th, 1915, there was a large proportion of the lodge's membership in attendance. With no "work" to be done, it was decided to exemplify the E. A. degree, a brother volunteering to act as candidate. The Senior Warden was absent, his place being taken by a Past Master. When it is remembered that there has not been any degree work for many months, the degree was exemplified in a creditable manner. It is to be hoped the success which formerly attended Robertson Lodge will return to it ere long, and that for many years it may aid in disseminating the principles of Masonry in its neighbourhood. That the brethren have not forgotten these is evidenced by the fact that they promptly availed themselves of the opportunity afforded them of contributing to Belgian Relief and remitted the full sum asked for without delay.

Mimico Lodge No. 369, Lambton Mills. I visited this lodge on April 27th, 1915, when there was an excellent attendance of P. Ms. and members and a number of visitors. The E. A. degree was conferred, the Master informing me that it was the first candidate initiated since he was installed. A number of Past Masters took part in the ceremony which was rendered in an impressive and generally satisfactory manner. Mimico Lodge also voted its full quota to the Belgian Fund promptly and heartily.

Mississauga Lodge (U.D.) Port Credit. My first official duty was the Institution on October

1st, 1914, of Mississauga Lodge, which had been granted its dispensation a few months earlier. I had the assistance of R. W. Bros. H. C. Scully and John Stephens, P.D.D.G.Ms., R. W. Bro. John Tanner, G.J.W.; V. W. Bro. C. E. Edmonds, G.D. of C.; W. Bro. D. G. Sturrock, District Secretary and other visiting brethren, including a number of P. Ms. and members of River Park Lodge, Streetsville, who kindly came over to wish the "baby lodge" Godspeed. I had an opportunity of being present at a meeting a little later and assisting somewhat in the work, also of presenting the claims of the Belgian Fund to which there was a prompt response of more than their quota. I visited Mississauga for the purpose of inspection on April 29th, 1915. The brethren had quite recently got comfortably settled in new quarters, which are commodious, fitted and furnished in excellent taste, and well suited for their purposes. W. Bro. Rev. Henry Earle and his officers initiated a candidate in a creditable manner. I was glad to be accompanied on this occasion by R. W. Bros. James Haywood, H. C. Scully and John Wilson, P.D.D.G.M.s, and a number of visiting brethren from Toronto, and to again find a good attendance of visitors from River Park Lodge, Streetsville.

The brethren to whom the dispensation was granted are enthusiastic Masons and intelligent, capable men, the field is a promising one and is already proving itself, the lodge now has a comfortable home, and I can confidently recommend that it be granted a Charter.

Vaughan Lodge No. 54, Maple. I was to have visited Vaughan Lodge on February 23rd, but an illness which confined me to my bed for a few days, necessitated a postponement on short notice to the W. M. which I very greatly regretted. But for this I should have been able to avoid asking any lodge to hold an Emergent meeting. This, however, the officers of Vaughan Lodge readily consented to do on May 19th, when the last of my official visits of inspection took place. The attendance severely taxed the capacity of the lodge room, there being not only a very large representation of members

but also of visitors from neighboring lodges, by all of which old Vaughan has long been highly esteemed. R. W. Bro. James Haywood, P.D.D.G.M., renewed acquaintanceship with many old friends and I was also accompanied by W. Bro. Rev. Henry Earle, District Chaplain, W. Bro. D. G. Sturrock, District Secretary, and a number of other brethren from Toronto. A brother was passed to the second degree, the ceremony being conferred by W. Bro. Malloy and his officers in a manner which reflected great credit upon each and which particularly evidenced the interest they take in the work and their pride in the reputation of their lodge for impressive presentation of our ceremonies. This annual occasion has long been famous as one unique in relation to the lodges in this district, the "Fourth Degree" being provided by and graced with the presence of the ladies. As usual, they were most lavish in their hospitality, and joined most heartily and sincerely with the brethren of Vaughan in making everyone feel most thoroughly welcome. All who were present will be only too glad to return when they have an opportunity.

Fraternally submitted.

GEO. H. SMITH, D.D.G.M.,
Toronto West District No. 11.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Toronto West District No. 11, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees?	Insurance				
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	B. A.						F. C.	M. M.	Regular									Emergency	Total	Aver. atten'ce of members	
22	King Solomon	Toronto	380	31	825	25	29	8	1	7	111	9	20	59	350	00	10	221	50	Dec. 29	1914	Good	Yes	fully covd		
54	Vaughan	Maple	47	27	22	2	2				11	1	12	17	52	00	5	51	25	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1500 00		
65	Rehoboth	Toronto	499	27	32	29	30		12		711	15	26	86	812	82	5	116	50	Jan. 30	1915	V. Good	Yes	100 00		
86	Wilson	Toronto	383	27	21	25	30	27	1	7	5	10	11	21	77	130	00	42	370	80	Dec. 24	1914	V. good	Yes	100 00	
98	True Blue	Bolton	65		1	1	1				1	10	10	10						June 24	1914	Good	Yes	Yes		
118	Union	Schomberg	62	2	2	6	3				3	10	11	18	75	00	4			Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00		
156	York	Toronto	235	21	22	17	11	13	5	7	1	3	10	11	125	00	29	170	50	Dec. 24	1914	Good	Yes	400 00		
229	Ionic	Brampton	145	9	6	8	10		1		10	3	13	25	60	00	12	70	60	Jan. 5	1915	Good	Yes	400 00		
247	Ashlar	Toronto	417	6	13	11	22		3		4	10	9	19	49	791	00	25	125	25	Dec. 27	1914	Excel't	Yes	900 00	
265	Patterson	Thornhill	75	1	2	3	3		2		2	11	4	15	19		9	40	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	No	300 00		
282	Robertson	King	30								1	11	11	12	32	00				June 24	1914	Good	Yes	800 00		
305	Humber	Weston	111	3	3	6	7		11		1	10	3	13	20	150	00	18	208	00	Dec. 27	1914	Bright	Yes	800 00	
311	Blackwood	Woodbridge	60	3	3	3	2		1		1	12	3	15	15	66	00	5	50	00	Jan. 5	1914	Good	Yes	800 00	
326	Zetland	Toronto	591	6	9	11	9		2		6	9	3	12	169	131	703	32	249	00	Dec. 31	1914	Good	Yes	800 00	
346	Occident	Toronto	418	19	23	25	25		6	1	2	6	10	14	24	50	120	00	40	200	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	800 00
356	River Park	Streetsville	81	5	4	5	7		1		12	4	16	15	30	00	20	85	50	Feb.	1915	Fair	Yes	550 00		
369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	137	8	12	10	8		1		3	11	8	19	151	00	23	240	60	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00		
384	Alpha	Toronto	501	12	19	26	26		2	3	7	2	11	22	95	55	25	55	112	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00	
426	Stanley	Toronto	329	17	6	10	10		2	3	7	1	10	9	19	55	70	00	28	556	80	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00
438	Harmony	Toronto	436	3	21	26	27		4	1	8	10	12	22	739	05	26	195	00	Dec. 31	1914	Excel't	Yes	fully cov.		
468	Peel	Caledon East	75	1	2	1	4		1		12	12	20				2	14	00	Jan.	1915	Good	Yes	1200 00		
474	Victoria	Toronto	241	18	17	12	13		1	2	11	9	20	10	279	00	5	43	10	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	300 00		
481	Corinthian	Toronto	137	12	15	9	7		1	4	2	10	11	21	35	120	00	15	75	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	300 00	
496	University	Toronto	145	13	21	11	11		1		1	10	9	19	12	100	00	1	4	80	Dec. 25	1914	Good	Yes	300 00	
501	Connaught	Mimico	81	11	10	13	11		1		10	14	21	23						Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	300 00		
510	Parkdale	Toronto	86	9	7	13	11		3		2	10	7	18	32	13	90			Dec. 28	1914	V. good	Yes	400 00		
514	St. Albans	Toronto	99	61	61	79	71		3		1	10	11	21	15					Dec. 27	1914	Bright	Yes	1000 00		
522	Mount Sinai	Toronto	37		5	12	11	20		11	10	11	12	13						June 24	1914	Good	Yes	2000 00		
524	Mississauga	Port Credit	30	9	9	5	3		7		13	8	21	22	33	00				Dec. 27	1914	Excel't	Yes	None		

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11a.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. &
A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I herewith submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for Toronto East District No. 11a for the past Masonic year, and in so doing let me first thank my brethren for the confidence expressed in honouring me with the distinguished position and likewise express my gratitude to the brethren for their many acts of courtesy and assistance rendered cheerfully throughout the whole district.

I appointed W. Bro. Geo. Allan, of Acacia Lodge No. 430 as District Secretary and to him I am deeply indebted for his prompt attention to all details of the work, and his great assistance throughout the year.

I have had the pleasure of visiting all the lodges in the district and find all in good financial condition, the work done of a very high order, and all that could be desired, while harmony and the best of good will prevails everywhere.

On October 13th I had the pleasure of constituting and consecrating Coronati Lodge No. 520, Toronto, and was ably assisted by R. W. Bro. H. J. Smith and R. W. Bro. J. Tanner and many Past Masters of the district. There was a large number of brethren in attendance.

On October 28th, 1914, I had the pleasure of constituting, consecrating, and dedicating Malone Lodge No. 512, Sutton, and have to thank M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and R. W. Bro. A. Davidson and the many Past Masters of the district who so ably assisted in the ceremonies. This lodge, under the guidance of its Masters and Past Masters, in my opinion, will be a credit to Grand Lodge and Masonry in the district where it is situated.

I wish also to thank the brethren for their active support and financial assistance to the Belgian Relief Fund of Grand Lodge, knowing well the many patriotic funds that the brethren have been called upon to assist to relieve the suffering and distress consequent upon the war in Europe.

My official visit to Zeredatha Lodge No. 220, Uxbridge, was made on November 30th, 1914. The first degree was conferred in a very able manner by W. Bro. King. This lodge is in very good hands and the financial condition good. W. Bro. Hare, the Secretary, informed me that all members of the lodge were paid up to date.

I visited officially St. John's Lodge No. 75, Toronto, on December 7th, 1914. W. Bro. John Rogerson conferred the first degree. This lodge has a very capable set of officers and the financial condition is good. Out of 320 members there were only three brethren twelve months in arrears.

On January 2nd I visited officially Georgina Lodge No. 343, Toronto. W. Bro. H. F. E. Kent and his officers conferred the first degree in a very excellent manner. The general conditions of this lodge are good. The fourth degree was marked by its sociability which has a great deal to do with the success of a lodge.

My official visit to Zeta Lodge No. 410, Toronto, was made on January 22nd, 1915, W. Bro. Falls and his officers conferred the first degree in a very satisfactory manner. There was a large attendance of the brethren at this meeting. The financial standing of the lodge is good and the work in good hands.

On January 27th, 1915, I visited officially Richmond Lodge No. 23, Richmond Hill. W. Bro. Cowie and his officers conferred the third degree in a very satisfactory manner. There was a large attendance of visiting brethren from neighboring lodges at the meeting. The standing of the lodge is very good.

On February 5th my official visit was made to St. George Lodge No. 367, Toronto. W. Bro. H. P. Ellis, the Worshipful Master, and his officers conferred the first degree. This lodge is in very good and capable hands and the work of the degree was very satisfactory. The general conditions of the lodge are good.

On February 24th I visited Rising Sun Lodge, No. 129, Aurora. The first degree was the work of the evening which was very satisfactorily carried out by W. Bro. F. C. Davis and his officers. This is one of the old lodges of the district and the brethren are to be congratulated on the general outlook for the future.

On February 25th, 1915, I made my official visit to Brock Lodge No. 354, Cannington, and had the pleasure of seeing the third degree conferred by W. Bro. Corlett and his officers. This lodge is to be congratulated on the way they performed the work as it was the first candidate they have had for four years. The lodge is in good hands and I believe it will experience greater success in the future.

On March 2nd, 1915, I visited officially Ionic Lodge No. 25, Toronto. W. Bro. Geo. E. Evans and his officers conferred the first degree in a very satisfactory manner. This lodge has a large membership, being one of the older lodges of the district. The general conditions are good.

On March 9th, 1915, my official visit was made to St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, Toronto. W. Bro. Geo. E. Graham and his officers conferred the first degree. This old lodge continues to keep up a high standard of efficiency in the craft. The general conditions are good.

I visited officially the Beaches Lodge No. 473, Toronto, on March 12th, 1915. W. Bro. Gardiner and his officers conferred the first degree with credit to the craft. This lodge has made good progress and is in a very satisfactory condition.

Acacia Lodge No. 430, Toronto. "It was with very much pleasure that I accepted the invitation

of R. W. Bro. Walters to accompany him on the occasion of his official visit to his own lodge, Acacia No. 430, and to report thereon. The visit took place at their regular meeting on Monday, March 15th, 1915, when the E. A. degree was conferred upon a candidate in a manner which reflected credit upon the Master and his officers. The lodge is apparently in a flourishing condition, and under W. Bro. French, the landmarks will undoubtedly be carefully preserved. While quite a young man, he has from the date of his initiation five years ago, taken a serious and intelligent interest in Masonry, in which he has made rapid progress, as his brethren were not slow to recognize his earnestness of purpose. There was a large attendance of members and visitors, including some of the Second Overseas Contingent. At the refreshment board it was, therefore, fitting that there should be a toast to the Empire, to which R. W. Bro. Rev. W. L. Baynes-Reed responded. R. W. Bro. Walters is deservedly held in high esteem by his brethren of Acacia."

"GEO. W. SMITH, D.D.G.M.,
Toronto West District No. 11."

I visited Orient Lodge No. 339, Toronto. on April 6th, 1915. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Anderson and his officers. This lodge has been making a special effort to make the work as perfect as possible, and their efforts have been very successful and gratifying. The general standing of the lodge is good.

My official visit to Stephenson Lodge No. 218, Toronto, was made on April 12th, 1915. The work of the first degree was put on by W. Bro. D. J. Proctor and his officers, after which a very social evening was given in the banquet room. W. Bro. Proctor has a very able set of officers and the standing of his lodge is very good.

On April 13th, 1915, I visited Coronati Lodge No. 520, Toronto. W. Bro. Chas. R. Sneath and his officers exemplified the third degree in a very able manner. This lodge is doing good work, being one of the newer lodges in the city. The general conditions are good and promising.

On April 14th, 1915, an official visit was made to Tuscan Lodge No. 99, Newmarket. The first degree was the work of the evening and was conferred in a very able manner by W. Bro. W. H. Eaves and his officers. The general conditions of this lodge are good.

On April 15th, 1915, I visited Doric Lodge No. 316, Toronto. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Geo. E. Stephenson and his officers in a very able manner. This lodge is in a very good condition financially, and the general conditions good.

On April 23rd, 1915, my official visit was made to Riverdale Lodge No. 494, Toronto. The work of the evening was the second degree which was carried out in a very satisfactory manner by W. Bro. J. M. Malcolm and his officers. The future of this lodge seems to be very promising.

On April 30th, 1915, I visited Richardson Lodge No. 136, Stouffville. There was no candidate for degrees and I requested W. Bro. F. D. Nighswander to open and close his lodge in the several degrees and give the obligations, which he did with credit to the craft. The general conditions of the lodge are very satisfactory.

May 25th, 1915, I visited Sharon Lodge No. 97, Queensville. The third degree was exemplified by W. Bro. W. A. Ewing and his officers in a very able manner. The general conditions of this lodge are very satisfactory.

I visited officially Brougham Union Lodge No. 269, Claremont, on May 26th, 1915. The second degree was the work of the evening and was carried out with credit to the craft by W. Bro. Brodie and his officers. This lodge has secured a building for their own use and the general outlook is very promising.

May 28th, 1915. My official visit was made to Markham Union Lodge No. 87, Markham, on the above date, when the first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Reesor and his officers. There was a large attendance of visiting brethren and a very en-

joyable social evening was given at the fourth degree. This lodge is in good hands and the general conditions are good.

On June 23rd, 1915, I visited officially Malone Lodge No. 512, Sutton West. The third degree was very ably conferred by W. Bro. Oliver and his officers. The new lodge is to be congratulated on their equipment and prospects for the future.

On June 24th my official visit was paid to Doric Lodge No. 424, Pickering. W. Bro. Bateman and his officers conferred the third degree in a very satisfactory manner. This lodge is in very good hands and the general conditions good.

In conclusion let me again thank my brethren for the courteous manner in which I have been received on all my visits and to the many brethren who have accompanied me and assisted in making the year's work a pleasure.

Fraternally submitted.

W. R. WALTERS, D.D.G.M.,
Toronto East District No. 11a.

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. &
A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I take much pleasure in submitting the following report of my year's work in connection with the Ontario District No. 12.

I desire at the outset to express my gratitude to the brethren for the honour conferred on me by my election to the distinguished position of District Deputy Grand Master. I would also take this opportunity of thanking the brethren of my district for the many hearty receptions and the great kindness and consideration which I have appreciated to the full as I have gone in and out among them during the past year.

Following my election I issued a circular letter of a general nature to the various lodges of my district. A little later on I issued a further letter to the lodges of my district in reference to the Belgian Relief Fund.

I have found the condition of Masonry in my district good and the spirit of the brethren seemed almost everywhere to be all that can be desired. In general I have found the officers most efficient, painstaking and enthusiastic; one or two Secretaries have shown signs of being careless and dilatory. In all quarters my reception was warm-hearted. I shall never cease to remember with great pleasure the profitable hours spent while at work and the happy times spent at banquets. In all my visits I urged upon the brethren a more close personal adherence to all the customs and established usages of our order, and more particularly to be true in life to all that our order with its ritual so replete with moral precepts and tenets has for ages stood for. I also urged the brethren to be more punctual and regular in their attendance at the meetings of their lodges.

Lodge of Instruction.

On June 18th I held a Lodge of Instruction under the auspices of Faithful Brethren Lodge No. 77, Lindsay. Twelve lodges in the district were represented, while visiting brethren from near and far helped to make the occasion all the more pleasant. Among the past Grand Lodge officers present were M. W. Bro. Harding and R. W. Bros. A. M. Fulton, James Begg and Neil Patterson. In the afternoon the first degree was exemplified by the officers of Spry Lodge No. 406, followed by an exemplification of the second degree by the officers of King Edward Lodge No. 464. In the evening the work of the third degree was exemplified by the oldest lodge in my district, Composite Lodge No. 30. The officers of Faithful Brethren Lodge opened and closed. The work by all four lodges was exceedingly well done. The discussion was hearty, to the point and profitable. The banquet was held between six and eight-thirty o'clock. This arrangement was found most desirable as the brethren from a distance were thus enabled to depart for home immediately after the closing down of the lodge.

Fraternal Dead.

The following deaths have been reported to me during the year:—Composite Lodge, Bro. F. E. Calverley; Faithful Brethren Lodge, Bro. W. A. Rooney; Bro. J. I. H. Nasmith (killed on foreign service in Flanders); Lebanon Lodge, Bro. John Carter; Fidelity, Bro. P. E. Graham; Somerville, Bro. Thomas Graham, Bro. John Somerville.

Official Visits.

I have visited either personally or by deputy all of the lodges in my district and have the following report to make in reference to the conditions pertaining in each of the lodges when visited:—

King Edward Lodge No. 464, Sunderland, visited November 27th. Attendance good. Visitors present from Cannington, Uxbridge and Stouff-

ville. Work, second degree, exemplified in commendable manner. Officers efficient in all respects, spirits excellent, finances good.

Somerville Lodge No. 451, Kinmount, visited January 28th, 1915. Attendance fair (night cold and rough). Work, new officers installed by R. W. Bro. James Begg who accompanied me from Lindsay; no other work. Officers, fair, spirit good, finances fair.

Faithful Brethren Lodge No. 77, Lindsay, visited February 1st, 1915. Attendance, good; work, initiatory degree exemplified efficiently. Officers, efficient; Secretary's books exceedingly well kept. Spirit, good; finances, good. Lodge is becoming over grown for best and truest efficiency.

Spry Lodge No. 406, Fenelon Falls, visited February 3rd, 1915. Attendance, good; work, first degree exemplified well; officers, most efficient; spirit, excellent; finances good. Lodge room is very comfortable. Lodge owes much to W. Bro. Charles Burgoyne who labours unceasingly in the interests of the lodge.

Fidelity Lodge No. 428, Port Perry, visited March 2nd, 1915. Attendance good, many Past Masters present; work, two candidates given initiatory degree in a manner most creditable to the officers; a healthy discussion followed. Officers, efficient; spirit, good; finances, good.

North Entrance Lodge No. 463, Haliburton, visited April 23rd, 1915. On this visit I was attended by R. W. Bro. James Begg. Attendance, fair work, officers installed; officers, fair; spirit, good; finances, good. R. W. Bro. Ralph Clarke is a great source of strength to this lodge.

Composite Lodge No. 30, Whitby, visited May 7th. R. W. Bro. James Begg at my request, and as my deputy, visited and reported: Attendance, good; work, none on occasion of visit—lodge exemplified third degree at lodge of instruction in most creditable manner. Officers, efficient; spirit, most commendable; finances, good.

Murray Lodge No. 408, Beaverton, visited May 11th, 1915, Attendance, fair, absence of Past Masters noted. Work—In the absence of the Worshipful Master, who had enlisted, and is now in the service of the Empire abroad, R. W. Bro. Williamson was in the chair; second degree exemplified in a manner most creditable to Bro. Williamson. Officers, fair; lack snap; spirit, good; finances, fair; new lighting system being installed.

Victoria Lodge No. 398, Kirkfield, visited June 10th, 1915. Attendance, good; work, second degree exemplified well; officers good; spirit, excellent; finances, good. Bro. W. B. Mosgrove is a great help to the lodge and as Secretary he has the records in excellent condition.

King George the Fifth Lodge No. 498, Cobocn, visited June 11th, 1915. Attendance, good; work, raising the third degree and lowering, done creditably; officers, good; spirit, excellent; finances, fair.

Harding Lodge No. 477, Woodville, visited May 17th, 1915. Attendance, good; work, initiatory degree exemplified fairly; officers, fair, efficient and greatly aided by R. W. Bro. Patterson. Books are exceptionally well kept by the Secretary. Spirit, good; finances, good. This lodge is being renovated and electric lights are being installed.

Cedar Lodge No. 270, Oshawa, visited on June 22nd, 1915. R. W. Bro. W. E. Sinclair, at my request, and as my deputy, visited the lodge and reported:—Attendance, good, twenty members present from Composite Lodge, Whitby. Work, four candidates were raised to the sublime degree, two by the officers of Cedar Lodge in a most highly creditable manner and two by the officers of Composite Lodge who did the work with equal credit. In the absence of the Master the lodge was in charge of W. Bro. W. A. Luke. Various officers are all efficient and the records appear to be exceptionally well kept. Spirit, good; finances, good. The loyalty of the Past Masters was most noticeable and commendable.

Lebanon Lodge No. 139, Oshawa, visited on June 24th, 1915. Attendance, good, large number of young men present was encouraging. Work, R. W. Bro. P. W. Punshon installed officers in a most creditable manner. Officers, both those retiring and those installed impressed me as being exceedingly efficient. Records found in excellent shape; spirit, good; finances, good.

Mount Zion Lodge No. 39, Brooklyn, visited June 25th, 1915. Attendance, good. Work, second degree exemplified fairly well; profitable discussion followed the regular work. Officers, fair; R. W. Bro. John Moore is a source of inspiration and strength to the lodge. Spirit, excellent; finances, excellent.

Arcadia Lodge No. 440, Minden, visited June 25th, 1915. R. W. Bro. James Begg, at my request, and as my deputy, visited the lodge and reported:—Attendance, fair; work, installation of officers; officers, fair; spirit, good; finances, fair.

Verulam Lodge No. 268, Bobcaygeon, visited July 2nd, 1915. Attendance, fair considering the warm temperature. Work, raising to the third degree and lowering, done efficiently; officers, fair; spirit, fair; finances, fair—handicapped by loss sustained by reason of fire which destroyed lodge room and all records. Lodge is now in possession of the most comfortable and well appointed lodge rooms in this district.

Fraternally submitted.

JOHN W. ANDERSON, D.D.G.M.,
Ontario District No. 12.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit herewith my report upon the condition of Masonry in Prince Edward District No. 13 for the past year.

In doing so, I would first express my sincere appreciation of the honour that my brethren have done me in electing me to the office of District Deputy Grand Master. I also wish to thank the brethren for many acts of kindness and consideration shown me during the year, which have amply repaid me for any effort I have put forth for the advancement of Masonry in this district. This district is very large and requires an expenditure of considerable time and energy but these have been freely given and I am sure have been appreciated.

My first official act was to issue a circular letter to the several lodges suggesting certain matters of more or less importance and appointing W. Bro. W. O. Adams, District Secretary and Rev. Bro. C. G. Smith, B.A., B.D., District Chaplain. Both these brethren have been very faithful in the discharge of the duties pertaining to their offices.

Throughout the year I have endeavoured to make my official visits as instructive and profitable as possible making each visit more or less a lodge of instruction. I am safe in saying that much benefit has been derived thereby. I know I have profited and believe that the lodges are the better for the instruction, and my criticisms and suggestions were received in such a spirit that good must follow. I bespeak for my successor in office the same fraternal welcome.

The outlook for Masonry throughout the district is very bright; there has been a substantial growth as shown by the appended statistics. There has been no discord throughout the year. All the

lodges are in good condition financially and have with a few exceptions contributed freely to charitable objects, and it is fitting that they should have done so. If we as Masons have not imbibed the lesson of charity, the teachings of the order have not penetrated very deeply.

The Secretaries have been prompt in their dealings with me and are very painstaking in their duties to the lodges. An efficient secretary is an immense asset to a lodge, for while the welfare of the lodge is nominally in the hands of the Worshipful Master, in the order of things this officer changes constantly while the secretary is more or less permanent.

During the year our Empire was forced into the greatest war that the world has known, or probably ever will know, and it is a matter that increases our pride in the institution to know that many of our brethren have answered the call and are risking their lives for their friends. The 13th District is well represented upon the firing line, and we earnestly pray that they may all be spared to return to mingle again with their brethren.

I was able to visit each lodge in the district at least once, and some of the lodges several times, and I can assure the Grand Master that in no district will he find more loyal Masons than in Prince Edward District. Time and space will not permit of an extended report on each visit, but I wish to say again that my reception both in the lodge room and at the banquet tables was exceedingly pleasant.

Lodge of Instruction.

On February 18th we held a very successful Lodge of Instruction under the auspices of St. John's Lodge, Coburg. Nearly all the lodges were represented and several outside lodges were also represented. The attendance was 250. We were honoured by the presence of the M. W. the Grand Master, who was accompanied by the G.J.W., Rt. W. Bro. Tanner, the G.J.W., the late V. W. Bro. Hague, and P.G.D. of C., V. W. Bro. Curran. Among the Past Grand Lodge officers present were

R. W. Bros. J. Newton, R. H. Spencer, A. Shaw, P.D.D.G.Ms.; V. W. Bro. H. A. Ketcheson, P.G.S.; V. W. Bro. J. McIntosh, P.G.Pur.; V. W. Bro. R. Buck, and V. W. Bro. A. R. Walker, P.G. Sword Bearer.

In the afternoon the officers of United Lodge No. 29, Brighton, exemplified the first degree, followed by an exemplification of the second degree by the officers of St. John's Lodge, No. 17, Coburg. In the evening officers representing the three lodges in Belleville, exemplified the third degree. The work was of a high order and was favourably commented upon by the W. M. the Grand Master.

From six o'clock to eight o'clock we were entertained royally at a banquet in charge of the wives, daughters and sweethearts of the Coburg brethren and nothing could be said that would be too highly complimentary of this function.

There was a note of sadness in our meeting, for while we were meeting the mortal remains of R. W. Bro. H. H. Post, Past D.D.G.M., were being committed to the grave. By unanimous vote, the D.D.G.M. was requested to express to the widow the sympathy of the district.

Fraternal Dead.

The following deaths have been reported to me during the year:—Moir Lodge No. 11, July 30th, Bro. Jas. McKee; July 31st, Bro. Jos. Staunton; November 19th, R. W. Bro. D. F. Bogart, P. G. Chap.; January 17th, Bro. Wm. Mallock; Bro. Solomon Vermilyea and Bro. G. L. Rogers. St. John's Lodge No. 17, Bro. D. Cranston, March 4th. Prince Edward Lodge No. 18, October 1st, Bro. Hubert W. Hare; October 13th, Bro. Wm. H. Williamson; November 11th, Bro. Samuel Ellis. Trent Lodge No. 38, Bro. John Nicholson. United Lodge No. 29, July 3rd, R. W. Bro. C. A. Lapp, P.D.D.G.M. Madoc Lodge No. 48, August 21st, W. Bro. Thos. Cross. Consecon Lodge No. 50, March 17th, Bro. Geo. H. Morrow. Colborne Lodge No. 91, October 3rd, Bro. Freder-

ick W. Casey; October 21st, Bro. Geo. Keyes; June 13th, Bro. Stephen H. Scripture. The Belleville Lodge No. 123, July 29th, R. W. Bro. Henry Pringle, P.D.D.G.M.; June 27th, R. W. Bro. Norval A. Bonistell, P.D.D.G.M. Golden Rule Lodge No. 126, December 20th, Bro. Thos. H. Shaw. Franck Lodge No. 127, November 24th, Bro. Peter Harder. Star in the East Lodge No. 164, September 14th, Bro. B. H. Young; February 15th, R. W. Bro. H. H. Post, P.D.D.G.M. Tweed Lodge No. 239, March 4th, Bro. John Calvin Bell.

Since there were in all thirty-six deaths during the year, it is evident that all the names were not reported to me from time to time.

Official Visits.

My first official visit was made on September 4th to Tweed Lodge No. 239, Tweed. At 4.30 p.m. I dedicated the new lodge room, assisted by R. W. Bro. A. B. Carscallen, D.D.G.M. of Frontenac District No. 14, R. W. Bro. F. D. Diamond, V. W. Bro. A. R. Walker, W. Bro. Adams, and a large number of brethren. In the evening I visited the lodge officially and was accorded a hearty welcome. The work, an initiation, was very well done. The Secretary reports that he has practically no dues outstanding. The prospects are good and the members are enthusiastic.

On September 28th, by direction of the M. W. the Grand Master, I laid the corner stone of the public library in the village of Stirling. I was assisted by R. W. Bros. W. N. Ponton, S. S. Lazier, John Newton, F. D. Diamond, O. C. Watson, and J. McC. Potts, P.D.D.G.Ms; R. W. Bro. L. R. Terwillegar, P.G.S.W.; V. W. Bro. A. R. Walker, P.G. Sword Bearer. An able and instructive address was delivered by R. W. Bro. Ponton.

On October 26th I visited St. John's Lodge No. 17, Cobourg. The attendance was good and the work well put on. This lodge is in capable hands and the prospects are bright.

On November 2nd I visited Lake Lodge No. 215, Ameliastburg. The second degree was well done by the officers. Prospects good.

On November 27th I visited Colborne Lodge No. 91, Colborne. The first degree was well put on. The Secretary's books are in excellent shape. As on former visits the brethren were very cordial in their welcome.

November 30th. A large turnout of members greeted us at Franck Lodge No. 127, Frankford. No work was offered but a profitable evening was spent nevertheless. The W. M., Bro. Reynolds, is in his second year and his lodge is in a prosperous condition.

On December 1st I visited United Lodge No. 29, Brighton. Forty-five members were present. After proposing to them the Belgian Relief Fund, a motion prevailed that the full quota be paid at once. This lodge has a most efficient staff of officers and is making good progress.

On December 2nd I visited Moira Lodge No. 11. As I am in these city lodges frequently I went unannounced. There was a good attendance and during the evening this old lodge voted \$300 to the Belgian fund. There is considerable rivalry of a friendly nature among the three city lodges. The officers visit frequently and the result is work of a high order.

On the 3rd December I visited my own mother lodge "The Belleville," No. 123, and on the 9th the Eureka, No. 283. Large gatherings were present on both occasions, and as I said above, these lodges do the work well. On the 9th, R. W. Bro. J. B. Nixon, P.D.D.G.M., of Toronto, was present and gave an address on the Symbolism of the second degree and Bro. John Elliot gave a very interesting travel talk on "The Old Land," as he saw her at the outbreak of the war. Both addresses were highly appreciated. At all my visits I have urged upon the brethren the importance of this side of our work. We are called upon to live up to certain principles and to make a daily advancement in Masonic knowledge, and to have a skilled

brother deliver an address or read a paper on some subject of interest, is to my mind, the proper thing to do at frequent intervals. While our ritual is beautiful, how few of our members appreciate its teaching as they should and could if our Masters were more careful that they be instructed.

By request I installed the officers of Moira Lodge No. 11, the Belleville Lodge No. 123 and Eureka Lodge No. 283 on December 28th. The following brethren very kindly assisted me in this beautiful ceremony: R. W. Bros. A. McGinnis, S. S. Lazier, F. E. O'Flynn, W. N. Ponton, F. D. Diamond, L. R. Terwillegar, V. W. Bros. A. R. Walker, J. Mc Intosh and W. Bros. R. C. Blaggrave, W. O. Adams, and D. Barragar.

January 26th. At Golden Rule Lodge No. 126, Campbellford, I was greeted by a fair attendance of members. The third degree was well conferred. This lodge is in a flourishing condition and their financial standing is excellent. R. W. Bro. O. C. Watson, P.D.D.G.M., was present and to his advice and instruction I have no doubt, is due in a large manner the present state of proficiency here.

January 28th. Prince Edward Lodge No. 18. This was one of the most enjoyable meetings of the year. In W. Bro. M. F. Adams this old lodge has an excellent Master. This was practically his first meeting since his installation and he did the work in a way that is rarely surpassed; the other officers are also well skilled, and this lodge should continue to hold a high position in the craft.

On October 4th I accompanied the brethren of Prince Edward Lodge No. 18 at the funeral of their Junior Deacon Bro. H. W. Hare.

February 23rd I visited Madoc Lodge No. 48, Madoc. The night was bad and the attendance small but W. Bro. Watson showed clearly that he is an expert in the Masonic ritual. While the attendance was small, the brethren were enthusiastic, and there is no reason why this lodge should not advance.

March 1st. At Marmora Lodge No. 222, Marmora, I had the pleasure of seeing a third de-

gree exemplified in a highly creditable manner. The attendance was large and very enthusiastic. Prospects of the lodge are bright.

March 2nd. We had a very successful meeting at Craig Lodge No. 401, Deseronto. About fifty members were present, including a number of Past Masters. Two initiations were put on in a creditable manner. Books in good condition. Prospects are bright.

March 4th. The Belleville Lodge No. 123 had a Past Masters' Night to initiate the son of our Treasurer, W. Bro. A. M. Gee, who has enlisted for overseas service in the 3rd Contingent C. E. F.

March 26th. Bancroft Lodge No. 482, Bancroft. This is a most enterprising lodge. A few years ago the village was practically destroyed by fire and the Masons lost everything, but today they own a beautiful lodge room and are justly proud of it. The attendance at this meeting was good, some of the members coming over 20 miles to be present. The third degree was well conferred. Prospects good.

March 30th. Trent Lodge No. 38, Trenton. The attendance was large filling the room to its capacity. The work, an initiation, was well done. The officers are all capable and the lodge is in good condition.

April 23rd. Consecon Lodge No. 50, Couscon. Attendance over 80, the work, a second degree, was done in a way to show the care with which the officers have prepared their work. A pleasant incident of the evening was a fraternal visit from Trent Lodge, R. W. Bro. Spencer, accompanied by the W. M. and 25 brethren, were present. I believe these visits are beneficial.

May 6th. Stirling Lodge No. 69, Stirling. On this occasion a large delegation from Franck Lodge headed by the W. M., made a fraternal visit, and the way the work was put on amply repaid them for coming. The initiatory degree was well done. During the evening a presentation was made to

Bro. Major Vanderwater and Bro. Captain Greene, who have since left for France with the 3rd Contingent. These are two fine soldiers and good Masons, and we sincerely trust that they may safely return.

May 25th. Star in the East Lodge No. 164, Wellington. A very large attendance including brethren from several surrounding lodges. Meeting was very enthusiastic. The records of the lodge are well kept and the finances are in a healthy condition.

May 26th. Percy Lodge No. 161, Warkworth. This was my last official visit. The lodge was late in opening, which I consider a very reprehensible practice and detrimental to the best interests of the lodge. The work was creditably done. I would strongly urge upon all lodges the desirability of opening on time. The books are in good condition and the finances are satisfactory.

Fraternally submitted.

H. J. CLARKE, D.D.G.M.,
Prince Edward District No 13.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Prince Edward Island District No. 13, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees?	Insurance			
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	F. A.							F. C.	M. M.													
11	The Moira	Belleville	292	9	5	7	6	1	1	6		9	6	12	1	13	38	876	63	60	187	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	10000 JL
17	St. John	Coburg	137	17	1	13	14	16	5	1		1	14	10	24	25	57	00	25	100	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00	
18	Prince Edward	Pictou	235	1	4	3	2	5	1	1		5	10	6	16	41	383	00	5	133	75	Jan. 21	1915	Good	Yes	4200 00	
29	United	Brighton	128	11	12	9	9	5		2		12	10	4	11	31	118	00		10	00	June 21	1915	Excel't	Yes	1000 00	
38	Trent	Trenton	158	5	9	12	8		2		1	1	11	2	13	30	401	38	3	9	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	8 00	
48	Madoc	Madoc	128	1	3	6	3	3				4	11	4	15	30	65	00	10	75	00	June 21	1914	Good	Yes	2000 00	
50	Consecon	Consecon	69	3	5	3	3	4		1		1	13	2	15	20	65	00	2	24	50	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	2500 00	
69	Stirling	Stirling	109	1	4	4	4	1				3	13	2	15	31	24	00	18	235	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	2500 00	
91	Colborne	Colborne	112	1	7	5	6	8		3		3	12	3	15	21	61	00	16	72	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1500 00	
123	The Belleville	Belleville	262	1	4	11	6	8	2	1		2	11	7	13	40	411	00	47	160	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	2000 00	
126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	111	6	6	7	7	5	1	1		1	7	2	13	31	205	00	5	49	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	Joint	
127	Frank	Frankford	119	1	4	3	2	1				2	11	2	13	31	205	00	5	17	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	350 00	
161	Percy	Warkworth	88	1	1	1	1	3		2		3	11	4	15	30	31	00	14	97	00	March 8	1915	Bright	Yes	550 00	
164	Star in the East	Wellington	131	1	3	2	1	1		4		2	12	1	13	35	145	00	4	18	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	2000 00	
215	Lake	Amiasburg	66	11	1	3	2	3		3		2	11	1	15	59	00	20	50	00	Dec. 28	1914	Bright	Yes	1200 00		
222	Marmora	Marmora	93	1	3	2	2	3		3		1	11	5	14	26	113	00	8	27	00	June 30	1911	Good	Yes	2000 00	
239	Tweed	Tweed	127	2	2	2	2	3				1	9	1	9	14	26	113	00	8	27	00	June 30	1911	Good	Yes	400 00
283	Bureka	Belleville	152	4	4	4	3	5				2	11	1	12	25	240	50	16	180	75	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	Joint	
401	Craig	Deseronto	105	3	4	4	6	8				1	13	1	14	24	90	00				Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	800 00	
482	Bancroft	Bancroft	109	10	11	7	9					1	12	2	14	25	65	00	8	81	00	Jan.	1915	Good	Yes	1600 00	

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in Frontenac District No. 14, for the year ending June 30th, 1915.

First of all I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the honour they conferred on me, in electing me to the high and important office of District Deputy Grand Master, also for the fraternal and very courteous manner in which I have been received everywhere on my official visits; and for the encouragement and assistance which I received from the Past Grand officers and brethren while doing my official work.

My first official act after being elected was to appoint W. Bro. James Aylesworth, of Lorne Lodge No. 404, District Secretary and Bro. Rev. Wm. E. Kidd, of Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee, District Chaplain. W. Bro. James Aylesworth is one of the best informed Masons in the district on the ritual and constitution. His counsel and advice have been of great assistance to me in the performance of my duties. I was deprived early in January of the able assistance of Rev. Bro. Kidd, who was called to the front in the European war to minister to the spiritual wants of our noble brethren who are fighting for our liberty.

I have personally visited every lodge in my district in my official capacity. I am pleased to report that the lodges throughout the district are nearly all in a healthy condition both fraternally and financially. The lodge buildings are good and suitably furnished. In most of the smaller towns the buildings are owned by the lodges and every lodge is carrying insurance, and in most cases the business affairs are carefully looked after by efficient Secretaries.

I have corrected any little discrepancies which I have discovered in the work, and impressed

strongly on the officers the importance of attending the Lodge of Instruction so that our work may become uniform.

I have sent two personal letters and also made a personal appeal to the officers and members of each lodge in reference to the Belgian Relief Fund and I feel sure there will be few, if any, lodges that will deserve the name of delinquents when Grand Lodge meets.

I find that the lodges in the district have paid up the amount solicited from them by Grand Lodge for the Semi-Centennial Fund based on the membership of 1905. There has been a large increase in membership since that time and a great many of the members joining since then have not been asked to contribute towards this fund. I have spoken of this matter on all my official visits and pointed out the importance of asking every brother to contribute towards this very commendable fund. I feel assured that by the united efforts of Grand Lodge and the D.D.G.Ms. this very commendable fund could be largely augmented by an appeal through the individual lodges to the younger brethren who have not already contributed towards this fund.

Lodge of Instruction.

On January 20th, 1915, a Lodge of Instruction was held under the auspices of Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee. Two hundred Masons from the different parts of the 14th Masonic District assembled to participate. Among the distinguished brethren present were R. W. Bros. W. S. Herington and Nesbitt, of Napanee; R. W. Bro. Abram Shaw, of Kingston; R. W. Bros. Robt. Longmore and G. A. Aylesworth, of Newburgh; and R. W. Bro. Wartman, of Colebrook. The opening and closing and the work of the three degrees were exemplified by the regular officers of eleven different lodges, the uniformity of the work done reflects great credit on my predecessors. Light refreshments were served in the refreshment room of Union Lodge No. 9, between the hours of 5 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. This had a tendency to keep the brethren within hail

and all were in their places at the hour set for opening. It also gave an opportunity of mingling together in that free and easy manner which conduces to friendship and fraternity. At the conclusion of the Lodge of Instruction a banquet was held in the Town Hall at which interesting and instructive addresses were delivered by distinguished brethren.

I wish to thank the officers and brethren of Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee, for the able assistance which they gave me in making the 1915 Lodge of Instruction one of the most successful events in the history of Masonry in Napanee.

On October 29th, 1914, I made my first official visit to Victoria Lodge No. 299, Centreville. The regular officers occupied their respective chairs. The W. M. Bro. F. Henderson conferred the second degree in an impressive manner. He has an efficient staff of officers to assist him. It would be difficult to improve on the S. Warden's lecture as rendered. The books of Victoria Lodge as kept by Bro. A. M. Bell are above criticism. The officers are all young brethren who have only been members for a few years but they have the support of the older brethren. There were six P. Ms. present out of a possible seven.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 228, Odessa. On November 2nd, 1914, I visited Prince Arthur Lodge No. 228. A number of P. Ms. and other brethren from other lodges in the district and a large attendance of members were present. The chairs were all filled with the exception of the inner guard by the regular officers. The W. M., Bro. Peters, and his officers conferred the third degree in a very impressive manner. The floor work of the deacons is worthy of special mention. The books are well kept and the lodge is in a flourishing condition.

On November 22nd, 1914, I visited Albion Lodge No. 109, Harrowsmith. There was a large attendance of members and a number of visiting brethren from the neighboring lodges. The chairs were all filled by the regular officers. The first and second degrees were put on in a very creditable

manner. W. Bro. Gilbert deserves special mention for the perfect and impressive manner in which he did his work. After the degree work they proceeded to elect the officers for the ensuing year. I was very much impressed with the harmony which prevails, it was only necessary to cast one ballot for each office. The brethren had received my letter in reference to the Belgian Relief Fund and before receiving me, voted that their quota be paid out of the lodge funds at once and replaced as the brethren contributed. I felt it my duty to congratulate the brethren on their prompt response to the request of the Grand Master.

On December 1st I visited Prince of Wales Lodge No. 146, Newburgh. The night was very stormy and the roads were almost impassable. There were about 130 Masons present. Of this number about 60 were visiting brethren, some of whom had driven from eight to twenty miles to attend. The brethren of Prince of Wales Lodge deserve a great deal of credit for their zeal in Masonry. In the spring of 1914 their Masonic home, which they owned and only occupied a few years, was destroyed by fire, as was also their lodge furniture, they immediately rebuilt a fine edifice, superior in many respects to the hall which was destroyed. Their furniture and decorations are a credit to the craft. I had the pleasure of dedicating the hall under the instructions of the M. W. the Grand Master. I was ably assisted in the ceremony by R. W. Bros. Nesbitt, Longmore and Aylesworth, P.D.G.M.s, and twenty visiting P. Ms. from neighbouring lodges. The opening and closing in the first and second degrees was very ably performed by W. Bro. Ramsey and his officers. I did not ask them to put on any degree work as I had on a previous occasion witnessed the same officers exemplify the work in a manner above criticism.

Cataraqui Lodge No. 92, Kingston. I visited this lodge January 8th, 1915. W. Bro. Crozier, assisted by his regular officers, put on the first degree in a manner above criticism. Special credit is due the officers as it was the first time they had

occupied their respective chairs. They gave ample proof that their advancement was due to merit. The books of the lodge are well kept and the finances in excellent condition.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 119, Bath. I visited this lodge on January 25th, 1915. W. Bro. Herbert J. Laidley and his officers were present with the exception of the Sr. Deacon. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in an efficient manner. I did not think it necessary to ask them to exemplify any of the degree work as I had witnessed the same officers perform the work allotted them at the Lodge of Instruction. The lodge finances are in a healthy condition and the Secretary's books well kept.

Elysian Lodge No. 212, Garden Island. Having been previously notified by W. Bro. Kennedy, W. M. of Elysian Lodge, that they wished to surrender their charter, as it was impossible to assemble seven brethren in their lodge in Garden Island, I notified them to meet me with their books and charter in the Kingston Lodge room on February 1st, 1915. W. Bro. Kennedy, the Junior and Senior Wardens and five Master Masons were present. They opened and closed in the first degree in a very creditable manner. There was a goodly number of Kingston brethren present including R. W. Bro. T. D. Minnes, who was there as a representative of Minden Lodge No. 253 to offer terms of amalgamation to Elysian Lodge. The question was thoroughly discussed in all its phases and the brethren were unanimous in favour of immediate amalgamation with Minden Lodge on the terms suggested by R. W. Bro. Minnes and took preliminary steps to complete the amalgamation.

Minden Lodge No. 253, Kingston. I visited this lodge on February 2nd, 1915. W. Bro. Gillespie and his officers exemplified the work of the first degree in a manner which called for great praise. There was a good attendance from the city. Visiting brethren and members from the suburbs and country being unable to attend owing

to the roads being blocked. I found the books and records far above the average and the finances in first class condition.

Lorne Lodge No. 404, Tamworth. I paid my official visit to Lorne Lodge on February 5th, 1915. I did not ask W. Bro. Gilmour and his officers to exemplify any of the work, as it is my mother lodge and I will have other opportunities of correcting any irregularities. Acting under the instruction of the Grand Master, I combined the ceremony of dedicating Lorne Lodge No. 404 with my official visit. I was ably assisted in the dedication ceremony by R. W. Bro. Robt. Longmore and a number of Masters and Past Masters from neighbouring lodges in the district. W. Bro. James Aylesworth, Secretary of Lorne Lodge and also Secretary of the District, gave me great assistance in bringing this event to a happy and successful conclusion.

Leeds Lodge No. 201, Gananogue. I visited this lodge on February 22nd, 1915. W. Bro. Adair and his officers exemplified the work in the first degree in a very commendable manner. The brethren of Leeds Lodge deserve great praise for the beautiful and artistic manner in which they have furnished their hall. There is another feature in connection with Leeds Lodge which deserves special mention and that is the banqueting hall adjoining the lodge which is also used as a club room for Masons exclusively. The club room is the means of bringing the brethren together daily in social intercourse, and contributes largely to the harmony which is especially noticeable among the brethren.

Ancient St. John's Lodge No. 3, Kingston. I visited this Lodge on March 4th, 1915. There was a good attendance of members and also of visiting brethren from the neighbouring lodges. I was assisted in my duties by R. W. Bros. Abram Shaw, James Minnes and F. S. Wartman, P.D.D.G.Ms. of the 14th Masonic District. The W. Master, W. Bro. P. H. Rider and his officers put on the work of the first degree in a manner which left no room for criticism. The lodge finances are in a healthy condition and the Secretary's books well kept.

Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee. I visited this lodge at their regular meeting on March 26th, 1915. The W. M., W. Bro. Grange, had made preparations to make this an eventful evening but unfortunately he was confined to his bed through illness. The Past Masters cheerfully stepped into the breach and through the efforts of W. Bros. Daly, Allison, Jero, and Walters and V. W. Bro. Shannon, assisted by the officers who were all present, two candidates were initiated in a very creditable manner. The number of P. Ms. present was very noticeable. The finances of the lodge are in a good healthy condition and the books exceptionally well kept.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 497, Arden. I visited this lodge on April 7th, 1915. The W. M., W. Bro. Loyst and his officers opened and closed in the three degrees. The officers are not as proficient in the work as might be desired, but this is due to a multiplicity of misfortunes which have befallen them during their short existence. Their first Master was called to the Grand Lodge above; the hall which they occupied, with a goodly portion of the lodge furniture, was destroyed by fire in September, 1914, and it was several months before they could secure temporary quarters to meet in; Their S. W. Bro. Ernest Mouch is fighting for our liberty, the Master has been unable to obtain much assistance from Past Masters of other lodges owing to the fact that the nearest lodge is twenty miles distant. The brethren are endued with the true Masonic spirit, and when the new home which they are building is complete they will be able to devote more attention to the rendering of the work. The brethren of St. Andrew's Lodge have the enthusiasm and persistence which should in time bring their lodge success.

Simpson Lodge No. 157, Newboro. I visited this lodge on May 25th, 1915. The W. M., W. Bro. Morton, was unable to be present owing to illness. The Master's chair was very ably filled by W. Bro. J. E. Dier, who with the assistance of the officers opened and closed the lodge in a very creditable manner. There was a good attendance of

members and visiting brethren. One very pleasing and noticeable feature of the gathering was the number of P. Ms. and P.D.D.G.Ms. present. There appears to be perfect harmony among the brethren of this lodge. The books are well kept and the finances in a good healthy condition.

Westport Lodge No. 441, Westport. I visited this lodge on May 26th, 1915. W. Bro. W. S. Breakenridge and his officers opened and closed in the three degrees in a manner above criticism. The chairs are filled by young, enthusiastic Masons who are encouraged and assisted by the P. Ms. The lodge is in a flourishing condition, the books well kept, and the finances good.

Rideau Lodge No. 460, Seeley's Bay. I visited this lodge on May 27th, 1915. The W. M. opened and closed in the three degrees. There was a small attendance, which I was informed was due to a number of the brethren being engaged in other sections of the country during the summer season. The books are well kept and the lodge is in good condition financially.

In conclusion I desire to say that I have derived much profit, as well as pleasure, from my association with the brethren, and I trust that they, in turn, have received some benefits from my visits.

I regret very much that owing to the carelessness of the Secretaries of some of the lodges in sending in their reports, I have been unable at the conclusion of my work to live strictly up to the standard of promptness which I have endeavored to instill in the brethren and carry out myself during the performance of my official duties.

Fraternally submitted.

A. B. CARSCALLEN, D.D.G.M.,
Frontenac District No.14.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Frontenac District No. 14, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr.'s Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance			
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	B. A.							F. C.	M. M.												
3	Anc't St. John's	Kingston.....	250	19	15	13	11	4	3	1	3	11	8	19	37	298	00	7	60	00	Jan. 4	1915	Good	Yes	Yes	
9	Union.....	Napanee.....	160	4	8	9	7	1	1	1	1	4	11	3	14	28	345	99	29	151	60	Dec. 28	1914	Good	No	700 00
92	Cataraqui.....	Kingston.....	289	16	17	12	12	4	1	1	4	11	9	20	60	250	65	400	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	900 00		
109	Albion.....	Harrowsmith.....	97	3	4	4	9	1	1	1	1	1	9	1	10	20	99	00	22	75	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	1000 00
119	Maple Leaf.....	Bath.....	81	7	5	8	5	4	1	1	2	1	12	2	14	21	41	00	10	42	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	2100 00
146	Prince of Wales	Newburgh.....	75	1	2	2	5	1	1	1	1	1	9	1	10	25	93	00	24	156	12	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	2000 00
157	Simpson.....	Newboro.....	195	11	8	5	4	1	3	1	1	1	11	6	17	41	60	00	39	132	00	June 28	1915	Good	Yes	500 00
201	Leeds.....	Gananoque.....	74	3	3	7	6	4	1	1	1	1	12	2	14	12	71	00	12	24	00	April 6	1915	Fair	Yes	2400 00
228	Prince Arthur..	Odessa.....	171	8	11	7	3	2	1	2	2	2	21	6	17	42	265	00	2	46	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	Yes
253	Minden.....	Kingston.....	57	1	4	2	2	3	1	2	1	1	12	3	15	21	70	00	15	70	00	Dec. 24	1914	Good	Yes	600 00
299	Victoria.....	Centreville.....	71	1	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	11	4	15	15	114	00	8	22	00	June 24	1915	Good	Yes	200 00
404	Lorne.....	Tamworth.....	63	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	11	2	13	14	1	00	1	2	00	Dec. 30	1914	Good	Yes	200 00
441	Westport.....	Westport.....	63	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	7	7	11	67	00	16	76	50	Dec. 29	1914	Good	No	1000 00	
460	Rideau.....	Seeley's Bay.....	37	3	1	5	2	2	2	1	1	9	9	11	15	28	00	16	76	50	Dec. 30	1914	Fair	Yes	800 00	
497	St. Andrew's...	Arden.....	37	3	1	5	2	2	2	1	1	7	7	11	15	67	00	16	76	50	Dec. 30	1914	Good	Yes	800 00	

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I herewith beg to submit for your consideration my report of work done in St. Lawrence District for the past year. Before proceeding with the main events I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks and appreciation of the courtesy and consideration shown me throughout the entire district. I wish also on behalf of my mother lodge, to thank the brethren for the honour conferred in electing me to the very important position of D.D.G.M. for this district, as it is the first time in the history of Macoy Lodge, in 44 years, that it has been represented in this Grand Lodge office.

My first official act was the appointing of W. Bro. L. F. Blanchard, of my own lodge, as District Secretary and Bro. Rev. J. de Pencier Wright, of Lyn Lodge No. 416, as District Chaplain.

My first visit was to South Augusta on October 7th, 1914, the occasion being the memorial services at the unveiling of the monument in memory of R. W. Bro. Ziba M. Phillips, which ceremony was performed by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, Deputy Grand Master.

Macoy Lodge No. 242, Mallorytown, December 28th, 1914, I had the pleasure of assisting in the installation of officers of my home lodge. The newly installed officers are very efficient and the work as rendered by them compares very favourably with that done in any place in the district. I attribute the cause as being the result of W. M. Bro. Blanchard, who is an expert in the chair and instills the same spirit into the other brethren, hence they have the work of conferring degrees almost perfect. The prospects of Macoy Lodge are very bright as the entire membership seem to take a deep interest in the work and are working together harmoniously.

January 28th, 1915, I visited Rising Sun Lodge No. 85, Athens, accompanied by several brethren from Macoy Lodge, and assisted by W. Bro. Blanchard had the pleasure of installing the officers of that lodge. The first degree was conferred and from the work rendered I consider the future of this lodge as being bright. The rooms occupied by this lodge were small and they were handicapped in this way, but recently they have secured new quarters and I feel that the lodge will be the better for the change.

February 1st, 1915, I visited one of the oldest lodges in the district, this being True Britons Lodge No. 24, Perth. Although the night was stormy there was a large gathering of the members, and in the degree work one seldom sees any that excels that which I witnessed on that occasion. The work of the Secretary being second to none in the district has no doubt a great deal to do with the very efficient manner in which everything is conducted. The rooms are too small for a lodge of such efficiency and I was very pleased when a resolution was passed authorizing a committee to look into the offer which had been made to them for new quarters. I sincerely hope that they may avail themselves of this opportunity as they are deserving of better equipment.

February 22nd, 1915, at an emergent meeting, I visited Osiris Lodge No. 489, Smith's Falls. The brethren of this lodge take a very deep interest in the work and are indeed proficient and the degree as conferred was one long to be remembered. The choir which furnished music throughout the degree was of first quality and added very much to the impressiveness of the work. I might add that the membership of this lodge seems to be composed of men of high standards and rare abilities and they certainly did themselves credit in the way in which they entertained the representative of the Grand Master.

February 23rd, 1915, I had the pleasure of meeting with the brethren of Merrickville Lodge No. 55, Merrickville. There was a goodly num-

ber present to welcome the representative of the M. W. the Grand Master. This lodge is in a very flourishing condition owing no doubt to the fact that it has had several District Deputies among its members. The work of conferring the third degree as given by V. W. Bro. Postlethwaite would be difficult to improve on. The room, although small, is a model of neatness, and the equipment is complete.

February 25th, 1915, I visited Lansdowne Lodge No. 387, and was most cordially received by the brethren. There was a goodly number present to witness the conferring of two M. M. degrees. I had the pleasure of assisting in one degree and judging from the very efficient manner in which the W. M. did his work, together with his very capable set of officers, I predict that this lodge will soon rank with any in the district. The best of harmony prevails in the lodge and I attribute a good deal of this to the work of my predecessor, R. W. Bro. Putnam.

March 26th, 1915, I again had the pleasure of visiting Smith's Falls, and on this occasion was entertained by St. Francis Lodge No. 24. This is one of the oldest lodges in the district and the work as exemplified by the officers left very little room for criticism. This lodge was the first in the district to respond to the call of the Grand Master re the Belgian Fund and sent in their full quota. The entire membership seem to take a deep interest in the work and the best of harmony prevails. Brethren of great skill, high ideals and rare accomplishment belong to this lodge and the present officers are men of ability and deserve great credit.

April 6th, 1915, I visited Central Lodge No. 110, Prescott, and was made very welcome by the brethren. A large number of the brethren turned out on this occasion as well as some from Ogdensburg and the interest taken in the entire membership speaks well for Masonry in this place. The degree was conferred in a very efficient manner, and could not be improved upon very easily. The lodge room is one of the best in the district and

the equipment is all that could be desired, and with the present set of officers the interests of Masonry will not suffer.

April 7th, 1915, I visited Mount Zion Lodge No. 28, Kemptville at an emergent meeting. The brethren are well up in the work and know how to do honour to the representative of the M. W. the Grand Master. The degree which was put on speaks well for the lodge and shows that the officers have Masonry at heart, and as this lodge is one of the oldest in the district they have many things that are of interest and I spent considerable time in looking them over, relics that are not found elsewhere in this district. I feel satisfied that the welfare of the lodge will be looked after to the fullest extent.

My next visit was to St. James' Lodge No. 74, South Augusta, which occurred on the 26th April, 1915. In conferring the degree the officers left very little room for criticism. This lodge is another one with a lot of historical events attached to it, some of which were of so much importance that Grand Lodge took notice of them, insomuch, that they erected a monument in memory of R. W. Bro. Ziba M. Phillips, who was very closely connected with Masonry in this part of the country. It might be explained that, at the unveiling of this monument in October last, R. W. Bro. McKim gave a very interesting history of the work of R. W. Bro. Phillips, which was listened to by a very large gathering of Masons from all parts of the district.

April 27th, 1915, I visited Lyn Lodge No. 416, accompanied by large delegations from my own lodge and the lodges in Brockville. The candidate for the first degree did not put in an appearance but I can vouch for the officers' capability for putting on the work, having heard them before. W. Bro. Brown, the Master, is, I consider, one of the most skilful Masters in this district that it has been my privilege to hear confer degrees. From the list of officers as installed on the 24th June, I predict that this lodge will be well up in the front in the conferring of degrees.

April 28th, 1915, I visited Crystal Fountain Lodge No. 389, North Augusta, and had the pleasure of witnessing the second degree and was very much pleased with the efficient manner in which the officers did their work. I am very sorry that I was unable to get the brethren interested enough in the Belgian Fund to remit their share, but I have hopes that they may do so later.

May 10th, 1915, I had the opportunity and pleasure of visiting Sussex Lodge No. 5 and Salem Lodge No. 368, Brockville. A large gathering of the brethren turned out and gave me a very cordial reception. The work of conferring the first degree by the two lodges convinced me that the officers of both lodges are well skilled, and the entire membership seems to have Masonry at heart, owing, no doubt, to the fact that they have had several members representing the M. W. the Grand Master and through their efforts have attained high ideals. We had present on this occasion R. W. Bro. John R. Reid, of Ottawa, who gave a very interesting address, which was listened to with a great deal of pleasure. Both lodges have as Secretaries P.D.D.G. Ms., so that the books are models of neatness and the lodge room is all that could be wished for.

The 26th May, 1915, I went to Delta and met the brethren of Harmony Lodge No. 370 and was received most kindly. The first degree was given and the W. M. and officers are to be congratulated on the efficient manner in which they did the work. There was very little occasion for corrections and the membership as a whole are to be commended for the interest they take in Masonry and the fine room and equipment they have.

On the 24th June, 1915, I had the pleasure of visiting Otter Lodge No. 504, Lombardy, and conducting the installation ceremony. I was accompanied on this trip by several P. Ms. from my mother lodge as well as several from Smith's Falls and Merrickville. This visit, although the last, was not the least by any means and will be one long to be remembered as one of the pleasant times connected with my tenure of office. Before

assembling at the hall for work about 25 of the brethren motored up to the house of Bro. Miller, who has been sick for a long time, and found that he was improving. Although they had candidates for degrees none were conferred owing to the fact of installation taking place and the distance some had driven to be present. W. Bro. Nickle, the retiring W. M., is to be congratulated on the manner in which he and his officers did their work. This lodge, though young, has every prospect of giving a good account of itself in the future.

In conclusion, I desire to say that when I entered upon my duties I realized my responsibilities and it has been my earnest endeavour to fill the position to the best of my ability. I have received much pleasure and profit from the association with the brethren throughout the district and I sincerely trust that during my tenure of office I have been able to render some help.

Fraternally submitted,

F. H. MALLORY, D.D.G.M.,
St. Lawrence District No. 15.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in St. Lawrence District No. 15, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Membership		Degr's Confi'd			Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees?	Insurance			
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.							M. M.	Regular	Emergent										Total		
5	Sussex	Brockville	294	2	2	8	8	1	1	1	1	1	4	12	10	22	40	254	00	11	137	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	B. of T.	
14	True Britons	Pertth	142	11	12	8	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	4	15	16	120	00	18	130	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	700 00	
24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	174	11	11	9	9	12	1	1	1	1	1	11	13	24	30	268	00	...	...	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Yes	500 00		
28	Mount Zion	Kemptville	81	2	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	10	3	13	14	55	00	23	117	75	Feb. 5	1915	Pair	Yes	700 00
55	Merrickville	Merrickville	111	6	4	5	5	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	12	50	00	20	56	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	250 00
74	St. James	South Augusta	78	7	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	14	19	66	50	18	132	50	June 28	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00
85	Rising Sun	Athens	82	7	3	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	15	40	00	17	45	00	June 28	1915	Pair	Yes	300 00
110	Central	Prescott	137	3	3	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	12	3	15	30	...	...	13	90	10	Dec. 27	1914	Pair	Yes	750 00
212	Macey	Mallorytown	97	3	3	9	12	5	1	1	1	1	1	2	10	1	11	22	50	00	8	124	00	Dec. 29	1914	Pair	Yes	1650 00
368	Salem	Brockville	205	2	2	9	12	15	1	1	1	1	1	6	11	12	23	38	270	50	14	108	00	Dec. 29	1914	Good	Yes	B. of T.
370	Harmony	Delta	79	6	1	6	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	13	13	15	94	00	6	15	00	June 24	1914	Good	Yes	1800 00		
387	Lansdowne	Lansdowne	55	2	2	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	10	2	12	20	...	...	13	42	00	Dec. 21	1914	Pair	Yes	Yes
389	Crystal Mountain	North Augusta	52	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	15	...	2	...	...	...	Dec. 27	1914	Pair	Yes	800 00	
416	Lyn	Lyn	51	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	12	12	...	...	13	...	...	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Yes	350 00	
489	Osiris	Smith's Falls	84	5	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	1	11	38	124	00	...	...	...	Jan. 8	1915	Good	Yes	300 00	
504	Outer	Lombardy	39	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	1	12	14	...	1	...	...	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	500 00	

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. &
A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The year 1914-15 in the Ottawa District has been one of steady progress and of uninterrupted prosperity. The duties of my position, onerous under the most satisfactory conditions, have been considerably lightened by the fraternal co-operation of the brethren and the kindly assistance of my predecessor in office.

I have visited all the lodges. At each visit in addition to giving instruction in the general work of the lodge, I addressed the members, when time permitted, on some subject of Masonic interest. This meant considerable preparation on my part but I was amply rewarded by the attention given to my remarks and by the appreciation which was so freely and kindly expressed. My experience in this matter has led me to think that much of the time now taken up in the reiteration of ritual might well be spent in the study of Masonic history, symbolism and philosophy.

Lodge work provides plenty of opportunity for careful initiative and thoughtful planning. I have done my best to discourage the idea that a dull, dead uniformity is desirable and while instructing the officers in what is being taught by Grand Lodge as the correct form, I have tried to impress them with the idea that in minor points or floor movements it may do no harm to retain some distinctive form or feature of the work which may be somewhat unique in character but which may have the sanction of well informed and experienced brethren. I can understand that this doctrine is a dangerous one if it opens the way for innovations, but within well regulated limits and when it does not affect essentials, I think it is productive of good rather than of harm. I have found the lodges quite ready to fall in line with anything that may be new to them so long as it has the stamp of au-

thority, but I have been loath to call attention to minor discrepancies which were more than compensated for by careful practice, intelligent planning and evident good intentions. These remarks apply only to those non-essentials which are subject to change from year to year owing to the varying opinions of those in authority.

In general there is need for more practice among officers in the floor work and in the ceremonies of the lodge. The senior officers are often negligent about instructing the more inexperienced ones and slipshod methods of work are frequently allowed to grow into habits that are almost incurable. The Master should hold occasional rehearsals in which the officers are encouraged to offer suggestions as to the general improvement of the work. In this way, crudity of presentation, awkwardness of movement, lack of confidence, errors in pronunciation and various other defects that often mar the beauty and spoil the effect of the ceremony would be largely eliminated.

Many P. Ms. are given nothing to do after leaving the chair and they soon drop out or attend only at irregular intervals. In many cases their interest can be retained by a judicious distribution of work. A few W. Ms. are too fond of the limelight and want to retain exclusive control of the work, apparently unconscious of the fact that even the sweetest voice will become monotonous to those who seldom hear any other.

There is a tendency to multiply lodges in some localities that are already fairly well served. In some cases this has led to the establishment of lodges that have a difficult struggle for existence. Of course this cannot always be foreseen, as in some cases the lodges now barely holding on to their warrants are those that were once flourishing. Conditions in the community have changed, however, and what was once a promising field becomes little more than a remembrance of former glory so far as Masonry is concerned.

The response to the appeal on behalf of the Belgian Fund has been gratifying. A larger amount

would have been received, but many members on our list are not now living in the district and it was not easy to get their contributions. The mails had to be depended upon and in matters of this kind nothing succeeds so well as the personal interview. A very small minority did not receive the appeal favourably but when one considers that so many members are slow in payment of dues it is not surprising that they should be negligent of their duties in the matter of benevolence.

I have not picked out any Secretaries for special mention but the only reason is that the general standard of work done by these officers is exceptionally high and where all are so efficient it might be unfair to discriminate. I have found none who were negligent of their duties. Without exception they are doing a large amount of valuable work for the craft without ostentation and sometimes without due appreciation or adequate reward.

Too much degree or ritualistic work makes it difficult to retain the interest of the general membership. There should not be more than one degree presented at any meeting whether regular or emergent. When four or five are conferred the work is usually done in the presence of a very small attendance. Most of those who come to the meetings are anxious to see one of the three degrees exemplified but they do not care to sit through a repetition of the work on several candidates.

This problem of decreasing the continuous grind which allows so little time for the other activities of Masonry and which defeats the very objects that are aimed at in a dignified and impressive rendering of the work is one not easy of solution. At present it is not an unusual occurrence for some of the lodges to confer so many degrees in one evening that the audience is reduced to barely more than the officers and a few new members who wish to get posted. The most popular suggestion in the way of a remedy seems to be an increase in the fees. I do not think this is a satisfactory solution. It may be that Masonry is a luxury but it is one whose cost should not place

it out of the reach of many properly qualified young men who are forming their plans for life. It is generally admitted that the young are more likely to be impressed with the beauties of Freemasonry, more susceptible to its high moral teachings and more inclined to become enthusiastic in its work than are the men who join at a more advanced age. It seems a mistake that proper material for the order should be kept out by a high admission fee unless such fee is absolutely necessary for the maintenance of the lodge and for reasonable demands upon it. It is true that the institution should be supported only by those who can afford it but that is no reason for making the fee so prohibitive that the only ones who can afford it are the rich or the very well-to-do. No matter what the object may be, a high fee places the emphasis on the money qualification and undoubtedly prevents many young men from joining. Later in life when they are better able to pay, their inclination towards Masonry has disappeared.

The other remedy most frequently suggested is the power of conferring the degree on several candidates taken together. Of course this authority is not now granted to lodges, and the rules of Grand Lodge in this matter are carefully observed, but I know of no reason why some modification of the rule should not be made for the sake of an improvement in existing conditions. Better to have a grouping of candidates than an array of empty side benches and a tired set of officers whose chief duty seems to be not so much to impress the candidate as to get through the list before midnight. It is objected that, if a change were made, the work would lack impressiveness. On the contrary, the method if properly applied should conduce to a better and more dignified rendering of the work which would be infinitely more impressive than the present speed-limit performances of some lodges.

Towards the close of my official visits I became more and more convinced of the fact that, in general, provision for the proper ventilation of our lodge rooms is regrettably inadequate. In several instances work which otherwise would have been

successful and impressive was spoiled by conditions of temperature and ventilation that were far from satisfactory. The efficient Master should prepare for his work in much the same manner as the capable general plans his campaign. He should omit no legitimate accessory that would help in attaining the desired end and on the other hand should be just as careful to eliminate every undesirable factor that is likely to militate against the good effect of his efforts.

Official Visits.

On Wednesday, November 4th, 1914, the Ottawa Masonic Temple was dedicated by M. W. Bro. McPherson, G. M., under the auspices of Civil Service Lodge No. 148. A banquet was held after the ceremony and about 400 brethren attended. Splendid addresses were delivered by M. W. Bro. McPherson, R. W. Bro. Luke, D. G. M., Bro. J. W. Robertson, L. L. D., C. M. G., and Bro. Hon. Martin Burrill, Minister of Agriculture for Canada. The surplus from the banquet, \$115, was contributed to the Belgian Fund.

Enterprise Lodge No. 516, Beachburg, W. Bro. Munroe W. M. Assisted by brethren from Ottawa, Pembroke, Eganville, and Cobden, the ceremonies of constitution, consecration and dedication and installation were carried out on the afternoon of October 5th. I attended the regular meeting of the lodge in the evening. Good attendance. Two firsts. Although the officers are inexperienced the work was well done. This lodge obtained its warrant from Grand Lodge in 1914, but it is really a resuscitation of Old Enterprise Lodge No. 310, which was formed at Beachburg in 1874, and which, unfortunately, had but a brief existence. W. Bro. Geo. Forbes, M.D., is the only surviving member of the old lodge. The locality is a good one and the prospects are favourable.

Hazeldean Lodge No. 517, Hazeldean, W. Bro. J. A. Cummings, W. M. On October 9th, assisted by R. W. Bro. Luke, D.G.M., and brethren from Ottawa, Richmond, Carp and Carleton Place, the

lodge was constituted, consecrated and dedicated and the officers were installed and invested. This lodge was granted a charter by Grand Lodge in 1914, and is situated in a prosperous farming community. The lodge room is in a building erected for craft purposes and is a model of neatness. W. Bros. R. H. Grant, J. A. Cummings and Robt. Richardson deserve much credit for the splendid work they have done in forming this new lodge and in seeing that it was properly equipped for work. I visited this lodge on April 29th. Small attendance, first degree. The work was a disappointment. No doubt its poor quality was due to the inexperience of the officers but their surroundings and their proximity to other lodges should be an incentive to produce work of a higher standard.

Chaudiere Lodge No. 264, Ottawa. W. Bro. W. E. Hayes, Jr., W. M. October 27th. Large attendance, first degree, good work. At the banquet Bro. Rev. J. H. Thomas, of Quyon, Que., addressed the members.

Renfrew Lodge No. 122, Renfrew. W. Bro. J. F. Mayhew, W. M. November 2nd. Small attendance, third degree, good work. This lodge has since suffered by reason of the removal from town of W. Bro. M. McKinnon, who was for some years its very efficient Secretary.

St. John's Lodge No. 63, Carleton Place. W. Bro. R. C. Patterson, W. M. November 13th. Small attendance, first degree, good work. The lodge has a large membership but there are many absentee members.

Lodge of Fidelity No. 231, Ottawa. W. Bro. Geo. Powers, W. M. Large attendance, second degree, good work. An address was delivered at the banquet by W. Bro. J. H. Putman, Inspector of Public Schools, Ottawa.

The Builders' Lodge No. 177, Ottawa. W. Bro. C. H. Caulfield, W. M. December 11th. Large attendance, first degree, good work. M. W. Bro. T. B. Flint, P.G.M., Nova Scotia, addressed the brethren at the banquet.

Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa. W. Bro. John Shearer, W. M. On invitation of the W. M. I visited this lodge at the regular meeting on December 1st and addressed the members on "The Landmarks of Masonry." R. W. Bro. Geo. S. May initiated his son who had enlisted for overseas service. The same candidate was given the second degree on the occasion of my official visit on January 5th. Work well done, large attendance. Bro. R. A. Pringle, K.C., delivered an address at the banquet.

Madawaska Lodge No. 196, Arnprior. W. Bro. Alex. Reid, W. M. January 11th. Small attendance, first degree, good work. The W. M. is the possessor of a Masonic apron with an interesting history. If the records in connection with it are correct, and there is no reason to doubt their authenticity, it was at one time owned and worn by the Scotch poet, Bro. Robert Burns.

Mississippi Lodge No. 147, Almonte. W. Bro. M. R. MacFarlane, W. M. February 5th. Fair attendance, third degree. The candidate of the evening was splendidly posted and two newly raised members passed a very creditable examination. The work in general was well above the average.

Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371, Ottawa. W. Bro. J. S. Virtue, W. M. February 26th. Large attendance, first degree well done. Bros. A. S. Goodeve, Hon. H. Bostock and Dr. Thompson, M. P., delivered addresses at the banquet.

Pembroke Lodge No. 128, Pembroke. W. Bro. D. E. Burns, W. M. March 4th. Good attendance, third degree, good music and work fairly well done. The banquet which followed was interrupted by a fire which destroyed the place of business occupied by W. Bro. W. D. Dewar and seriously endangered that of V. W. Bro. J. H. Leach.

Civil Service Lodge No. 148, Ottawa. W. Bro. Jos. Kent, W. M. March 9th. Large attendance, third degree well done with impressive musical ritual. This is my home lodge and I can testify to the general good work of its officers. At

the banquet held on the occasion of my official visit W. Bro J. H. Putman gave an address on "The British Navy."

Doric Lodge No. 58, Ottawa. W. Bro. J. A. Ross, W. M. April 2nd. Large attendance, first degree well done. The lodge has lost a good brother and an ideal Mason by the death on February 4th of Dr. John Robertson, P.D.D.G.M.

Russell Lodge No. 479, Russell. W. Bro. John Harrington, W. M. April 5th. Good attendance, two firsts, work fairly well done. On Sunday, June 6th, a disastrous fire visited the village and the lodge room was burned. The brethren lost equipment valued at \$275.00, including organ and carpet, fully covered by insurance. Bro. Jas. Cochrane has kindly offered the use of the upper floor in his furniture shop and at considerable inconvenience has made room for a temporary meeting place. Negotiations are now in progress to secure a new building, properly ventilated. The lost equipment is being replaced and the work will not be allowed to suffer.

Carleton Lodge No. 465, Carp. W. Bro. A. H. Acres, W. M. April 23rd. Poor attendance, lodge opened and closed in the three degrees, work not well done. The lodge has had no degree work for the past twelve months and is not in a flourishing condition.

Evergreen Lodge No. 209, Lanark. W. Bro. B. A. C. Caldwell, W. M. May 4th. Was accompanied by P.D.D.G.Ms., W. M. Ross, J. C. Scott, and M. H. Steele. The W. M. and some of the officers were unavoidably absent. Fair attendance, two firsts conferred by V. W. Bro. David McLaren. This old lodge is in the centre of a good district and should show a revival in Maosnic activity.

Goodwood Lodge No. 159, Richmond. W. Bro. Rev. T. J. Vickery, W. M. May 25th. Fair attendance, unsuitable quarters, second degree fairly well done. The lodge has suffered by the loss of many members who have affiliated with the new lodge at Hazeldean.

Corinthian Lodge No. 476, North Gower. W. Bro. John Kerr, W. M. May 28th. The W. M. was present but was ill and I was too late in arriving to see his work. W. Bro. J. C. McNiece conferred the first degree on two candidates and W. Bro. Clarke Craig conferred the third on another. The work was well done, good attendance. This lodge is fortunate in having a splendid set of officers.

Cobden Lodge No. 459, Cobden. W. Bro. I. D. Cotnam, M.D., W. M. June 8th. Good attendance, second degree well done. This lodge has a very small list of P. Ms. but the quality must be good as the lack in numbers seems to be no hindrance to the good work of the lodge.

Ionic Lodge U.D., Westboro'. W. Bro. Thos. Saunders, W. M. The jurisdiction of this lodge extends for some distance within the limits of the city of Ottawa and the lodge room is situated in a well populated part of the city suburbs. The lodge was instituted by me on December 9th, and was visited on June 9th. Large attendance, first degree well done. The brethren meet in a fine lodge room, splendidly equipped, and I have no hesitation in recommending that a charter be granted as the prospects are excellent.

Bonnechere Lodge No. 433, Eganville. W. Bro. John C. McIntyre, W. M. Their new lodge room was dedicated by R. W. Bro. Luke, D.G.M., on June 14th, in the presence of many visiting brethren from Ottawa, Pembroke, Renfrew and Beachburg. At the regular meeting in the evening I paid my official visit. Two firsts well done.

I am deeply grateful to many brethren who in various ways assisted in making my work as easy and as pleasant as possible.

Fraternally submitted.

THOMAS SHANKS, D.D.G.M.,
Ottawa District No. 16.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Ottawa District No. 16, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd			Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held				Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees?	Insurance			
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.						M. M.	Deceased	Regular	Emergent										Total		
52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	350	3	12	13	10	9	8	3	5	11	5	11	10	21	45	206	75	23	336	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	Hall C.	
58	Doric	Ottawa	223	12	12	12	14	15	8	1	3	1	5	10	9	19	41	495	25	3	40	70	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	Hall C.	
63	St. John's	Carleton Place	200	8	8	7	7	5	3	1	2	13	2	13	3	16	30	227	50	48	165	00	Dec. 29	1914	Good	Yes	7000 00	
122	Renfrew	Renfrew	135	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	11	3	14	26	150	00	7	60	00	Dec.	1914	Fair	Yes	1500 00	
128	Pembroke	Pembroke	174	4	4	4	5	5	1	2	3	3	4	11	7	18	32	30	00	38	172	00	June 27	1915	Good	Yes	1085 00	
147	Mississippi	Almonte	101	4	6	12	12	12	4	1	1	3	1	13	3	16	22	30	00	39	154	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	600 00	
148	Civil Service	Ottawa	236	13	16	16	11	4	4	4	4	5	3	10	9	19	37	340	00	81	50	June	1915	Good	Yes	Hall C.		
159	Goodwood	Richmond	69	35	2	5	4	1	1	33	5	4	4	10	10	20	65	408	00	16	171	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	Hall C.	
177	The Builders	Ottawa	295	12	16	15	13	5	5	4	1	2	4	11	2	13	18	122	75	10	74	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	750 00	
196	Madawaska	Arnprior	106	4	6	6	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	8	8	14	13	75	00	13	75	00	Dec. 31	1914	Good	Yes	300 00	
209	Evergreen	Lanark	46	2	3	3	2	1	5	1	2	2	2	10	9	19	39	482	50	23	366	85	Dec.	1914	V. Good	Yes	Hall C.	
231	Fidelity	Ottawa	281	12	13	15	16	5	5	1	3	4	2	10	11	21	32	460	00	19	127	88	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	Hall C.	
264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	263	3	9	11	14	2	1	1	6	1	4	10	10	20	40	65	00	10	150	00	Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	Hall C.	
371	Prince of Wales	Ottawa	194	7	16	21	20	1	1	1	6	1	6	1	10	11	26	50	00	10	150	00	Dec.	1915	Fair	Yes	700 00	
433	Bonnechere	Eganville	65	1	7	6	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	11	11	12	20	116	50	12	81	00	June	1915	Good	Yes	600 00	
459	Cobden	Cobden	92	6	6	5	8	8	1	1	5	1	1	8	1	9	15	35	00	6	64	00	Feb. 1	1915	Fair	Yes	500 00	
465	Carleton	Carleton	54	6	6	5	8	1	1	1	5	1	1	13	13	14	23	75	00	5	21	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	200 00	
476	Corinthian	North Gower	69	6	10	10	9	8	1	1	1	1	1	14	14	3	17	30	195	00	16	65	75	June 24	1914	Good	Yes	750 00
479	Russell	Russell	96	10	4	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	12	3	15	22	31	00	...	...	March 21	1915	Good	Yes	2500 00
516	Enterprise	Beauchburg	39	2	10	12	10	8	8	1	1	1	1	1	13	3	16	18	...	...	...	...	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00
517	Hazledean	Hazledean	40	17	10	12	10	8	8	1	1	1	1	7	7	6	13	23	...	...	...	...	Dec. 27	1914	Excellent	Yes	1000 00
526	Ionic	Westboro	54	14	14	14	8	8	8	1	1	1	1	1	13	3	16	18	...	...	...	...	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Algoma District No. 17 for the past Masonic year; and I take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to the brethren of this district for placing me in the high and honourable position of District Deputy Grand Master. I have endeavoured to fulfil the duties of my office to the best of my ability. I have visited all the lodges and have taken occasion to point out to the brethren what I consider to be the essential things for the continued success of our fraternity. I have suggested some things which, if carried out, will, I believe, prove to be of general benefit to them and to the lodges. I travelled over 2,500 miles to make my visits to the different lodges of this district and everywhere I was received most cordially and spent many pleasant hours with my brethren; not only in the lodge rooms but during the day time before and after the evenings of the meetings I had many chats with the brethren outside of the lodge as regards the different points that come up in the experience of lodge matters, and in that way was able to discuss many things which, I hope, were mutually beneficial, besides being a great pleasure to me in making many new and renewing many old personal acquaintances among the brethren of the district.

Shortly after my election I was authorized by the M. W. the Grand Master to constitute, consecrate, dedicate and install the officers of Sioux Lookout Lodge, Sioux Lookout, and Connaught Lodge, Fort William. Owing to the war being declared and my time being entirely taken up with my military duties, I so informed the M. W. the Grand Master and suggested that he authorize R. W. Bro. D. H. Currie, of Kenora, to do this work for me, which was done, and I take this op-

portunity of thanking R. W. Bro. D. H. Currie for his kindness in this matter. He had to travel 1,000 miles and spend almost one whole week in doing so.

I held a joint installation of the officers of Keewatin Lodge No. 417 and Lake of the Woods Lodge No. 445 at Keewatin on the evening of the 27th December, and it was a big Masonic night. There were present 115 members including 18 installed Masters and four P.D.D.G.Ms. I was ably assisted by these R. W. brethren as well as by the P.Ms. A banquet was held after the meeting at which some very patriotic addresses were made. The gathering was a great success.

On the evening of the 24th June I installed and invested the officers of Pequonga Lodge No. 414, of Kenora, in their lodge room for the ensuing Masonic year. There was a very large attendance including 17 installed Masters and several R. W. brethren, who assisted me in the ceremony. A very pleasant hour was spent after the meeting with refreshments and a splendid musical programme.

On the 30th day of June I went to Dryden, accompanied by W. Bro. L. D. McColl, to install and invest the officers of Golden Star Lodge No. 484, when a pleasant and profitable evening was spent. During the afternoon, before the meeting, the brethren of Dryden treated us to a delightful trip on the lake, which was very much appreciated.

As regards the Belgian Relief Fund, I took the matter up with all the lodges and they have no doubt answered the call to the best of their ability. Some of the lodges had already generously donated in the shape of flour for the same relief.

During all my visitations I found the work very well done indeed and particularly regarding the uniformity of the work, and I agree with R. W. Bro. Hollingshead in attributing this largely to the efforts of R. W. Bro. Allan, of Port Arthur, during his term of D.D.G.M. of this district. Owing to the general depression some of the lodges found it difficult to collect their dues or to increase their membership. Quite a number of our brethren in this

district have had their incomes cut in two, and others are out of employment entirely; but speaking generally the condition of Masonry in the district is in first class shape.

Official Visits.

Sioux Lookout Lodge No. 518, Sioux Lookout. I visited this lodge on the evening of the 14th of December last, accompanied by R. W. Bro. T. W. Chapple, and spent a couple of days with the brethren of this newly constituted lodge and found them very enthusiastic in their work. W. Bro. T. Palos was in the Chair and conferred the first degree on a candidate in a creditable manner, ably assisted by the other officers. W. Bro. Palos deserves a great deal of credit for the work he is doing as he has no P. M. to help him. I had the lodge opened in the several degrees and in each degree invited questions from the brethren on any part of the work which were answered by myself and R. W. Bro. Chapple to the best of our ability. I thought this advisable under the circumstances owing to their membership being composed of almost entirely newly-made Masons. Sioux Lookout Lodge is under a very heavy expense owing to the fact that a hall had to be built, there being no suitable place available, so that their rent is entirely out of proportion to their income. I hope that some means may be found to remedy this condition or the brethren of Sioux Lookout who are very enthusiastic and sincere in their work will have great difficulty in meeting their financial obligations. The books of the lodge are well taken care of by the Secretary.

Pequonga Lodge No. 414, Kenora. I made my official visit to this lodge on the evening of April 7th at their regular meeting, with W. Bro. Douglas in the chair. There was a large attendance of members including several P. Ms. as well as R. W. Bros. Currie, Bryden, Cherry and Judge Chapple. The first degree was conferred upon several candidates in a very creditable manner. Pequonga Lodge is a very prosperous lodge and makes many Masons and always does good work. Its books are well kept by Bro. P. Baker and its finances in good

shape under the careful management of W. Bro. J. Brenchly. I feel satisfied that Pequonga Lodge will continue to give a good account of itself.

Keewatin Lodge No. 417, Keewatin. I paid my official visit to this lodge on the evening of May 7th at their regular meeting, with W. Bro. Kelly in the chair. There was a good attendance of members including several from Pequonga and Lake of the Woods lodges. The third degree was conferred upon a candidate in a very creditable manner. I made several visits to Keewatin Lodge during my term and I have no hesitancy in saying the work is always performed in a very careful and impressive manner by all who take part in it. Keewatin Lodge owns its own hall and is in good financial shape, and with the genial and ever smiling Bro. A. J. Holmes as Secretary, and R. W. Bro. T. J. Cherry as Treasurer, that part of its affairs will be particularly well looked after.

Golden Star Lodge No. 484, Dryden. I made my official visit to this lodge on Tuesday evening, May 11th. W. Bro. G. A. Toole accompanied me on this occasion. There was a very fair attendance of members although a heavy rain and thunderstorm started in just before the meeting. W. Bro. T. Proudfoot occupied the chair and conferred the second degree on three candidates. The work was very creditably performed. The brethren of Golden Star Lodge are particularly interested in their lodge and it seems to me look upon their obligations towards their lodge more seriously than the average members. This, I believe, augurs well for the future success of the lodge. The books are kept in good shape by Bro. Taylor.

Lake of the Woods Lodge No. 445, Kenora. I made my official visit to this, my own lodge, on Wednesday evening, May 12th, with W. Bro. C. H. Carpenter, the I.P.M., in the chair. The sitting W. M., Captain H. A. C. Machin, M.P.P., being unavoidably detained in Toronto, attending to the interests of this district. The third degree was conferred upon a candidate and was very well done indeed. The W. M. was assisted by W. Bros. G.

A. Toole, J. A. Kinney and G. W. Smith. The musical part of the ceremony was taken care of by W. Bro. C. H. Caprenter and although I have heard him many times he particularly excelled himself on this occasion. The other officers of the lodge rendered good assistance and the whole ceremony was a very creditable exemplification of the degree. The books are in the good hands of Rev. Bro. J. H. Gibson. Lake of the Woods Lodge is not a strong lodge numerically nor financially and will require the careful attention of its rulers for some time to come.

Fort William Lodge No. 415, Fort William. I visited Fort William Lodge on Wednesday evening, June 9th, at their regular meeting. W. Bro. Hartley was in the chair. There was a very large turnout of the members including several P. Ms. The first degree was conferred upon two candidates and I have no hesitancy in saying that I have never seen the work done better. W. Bro. Hartley and his officers deserve great credit for their efficiency. Every officer did his work well and, together with the musical accompaniment, it was a very creditable and impressive exemplification of the degree. Fort William Lodge is to be congratulated on its staff of officers. The books are well kept by Bro. C. E. Coombes. This lodge, too, has a very fine lodge room with lots of space to do good work and will continue to be a credit to the order.

Shuniah Lodge No. 287, Port Arthur. I made my official visit to this lodge on Friday evening, June 11th, and although it was an emergent meeting, I was welcomed by a large attendance including R. W. Bros. Ray, Morgan, Allan and Beaver. The chair was occupied by W. Bro. R. F. Rourke, W. M. The second degree was conferred upon a candidate and the work was creditable done by the W. M. and his staff. The brethren of Shuniah Lodge may be justly proud of their temple; together with their club rooms and reading rooms they have a real home; the finest in the district. The books, under the care of Bro. G. C. Milne, are well kept. The finances are in splendid shape.

I have no hesitancy in saying that Shuniah Lodge, the oldest in this district, will continue to be a great credit to the fraternity.

Port Arthur Lodge No. 499, Port Arthur. I visited this lodge at its regular meeting on Monday evening, June 14th, with W. Bro. C. F. Myers in the chair. There was a very large attendance of members including R. W. Bro. Hollingshead, of Port Arthur Lodge and R. W. Bro. Allan, of Shuniah Lodge. The third degree was conferred upon a candidate and the work was done exceptionally well. W. Bro. Myers is very efficient in his work and has the able assistance of his staff; the degree reflects great credit on the lodge and the district. Port Arthur Lodge holds its meetings in the Masonic Temple and, therefore, has a beautiful home. I examined the books and found them well kept in every particular. Port Arthur Lodge No. 499, although a young lodge, is doing good work for Masonry in this district.

Royal Lodge No. 453, Fort William. I visited Royal Lodge on Tuesday evening, June 15th, with W. Bro. Babe in the chair in the absence of the Master, W. Bro. Major M. J. Francis, who is absent serving his country. There was a good attendance including several P. Ms. The third degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner by all the officers who took part. The Secretary's work under the able management of W. Bro. F. C. Perry, is being well taken care of and I feel sure that Royal Lodge will always give a good account of itself.

Granite Lodge No. 446, Fort Francis. I visited Granite Lodge on Monday evening, June 21st, with W. Bro. W. Clarke in the chair. There was a good turnout of members including several P. Ms. and R. W. Bro. C. J. Holland. The third degree was conferred on a candidate and the work was done in a very creditable manner. A very pleasant evening was spent. The books are well kept by W. Bro. Warner and the lodge has good prospects.

Ionic Lodge No. 461, Rainy River. I visited this lodge on Tuesday, June 22nd, and spent a very

pleasant evening with the members. W. Bro. J. Rice occupied the chair and there being no work, the lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees and from the manner in which the officers performed their parts, I feel sure the work is well done. With W. Bro. D. K. McGregor as Secretary, everything being in order in that department is assured.

In conclusion, I wish to say that my work as D.D.G.M. of this district has been a pleasure to me and if I have been the means of doing any good I feel amply rewarded for my efforts. I again thank you for the honour you have done me and for the assistance given me.

Fraternally submitted.

N. SCHNARR, D.D.G.M.,
Algoma District No. 17.

NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with great pleasure that I submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in Nipissing District No. 18 for the year 1914-15.

In so doing I desire first to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to the brethren of the district for the very great honour they conferred upon me, by electing me to the dignified and responsible position of District Deputy Grand Master. It is also my desire to thank them for the many courtesies and acts of fraternal kindness extended to me during my term of office, and for the hospitable treatment and true Masonic welcome which it was my pleasure to receive on each of my official visits.

My first official duty consisted in the appointment of W. Bro. R. H. James, P. M., of Silver Lodge No. 486 to the office of District Secretary; and of Bro. Rev. J. S. I. Wilson, of Haileybury Lodge No. 485, as District Chaplain.

My next duty was, by special communication, to seek the co-operation of the W. M. and officers of every lodge in the district in an endeavour to maintain the high standing which Masonry has come to occupy amongst us, and to continue the bountiful progress which the district has made, largely through the faithful efforts put forth by my predecessors in office. Nor was I disappointed in the response which followed this letter, for I have observed with pride and satisfaction the efforts which the majority of officers throughout the district are putting forth to excel in the skilful use of the working tools of their office, to increase Masonic efficiency and influence, and to preserve the ancient landmarks inviolate.

In this respect I must here acknowledge valuable assistance and service willingly rendered on many occasions by R. W. Bros. Haentschel, Haynes Young and Wallace, and by W. Bros. James, Byrnes, Willis, LeHeup, Stewart, Lockington, Sutcliffe, Dibblee, Skill, Foster and Piercy. My thanks are due these brethren for their considerate kindness, in many instances rendered at the price of personal inconvenience.

Belgian Relief Fund.

In response to the stirring appeal of the M. W. the Grand Master at the Provincial Lodge of Instruction, held at Toronto, in October last, for aid to relieve the distress of our Belgian allies, I am pleased to state that the lodges in this district have made generous contributions, the total of which amounted to \$2,053.50 at the last reckoning, not including \$52.00 from the Lodge of Instruction held at Cobalt.

Installations.

During the year it was my pleasure to officiate at the installation of the officers of three lodges. On October 17th, W. Bro. C. M. Piercy was placed in control of the destinies of Porcupine Lodge No. 506; on November 6th, W. Bro. H. J. Stewart, of Silver Lodge No. 486, Cobalt; and on December 3rd, W. Bro. H. Lockington, of Haileybury Lodge No. 485. On each occasion a large gathering had assembled to witness the impressive ceremonies, and the customary social features were emphasized in fitting manner.

Institutions.

By command of the M. W. the Grand Master the honour fell to my lot of adding three new lodges to the 18th District, thereby bringing up the total to eighteen.

On April 7th, 1915, Espanola Lodge U.D., was regularly instituted, with W. Bro. LeB. Dibblee as W. M., Bro. Douglas Parker as S. W., Bro. Horace McEwen as J. W., and Bro. Jos. Plant as Secretary. The brethren have provided and furnished

a beautiful Masonic room, and are starting off free of debt. Espanola is an important industrial centre, and the efforts of these brethren will surely be crowned with success.

On May 12th, 1915, I regularly instituted Golden Beaver Lodge U.D., at Timmins. The officers are W. Bro. C. G. Williams, W. M., Bro. G. R. Vary, S. W.; Bro. R. M. Chapman, J. W.; and Bro. Dr. H. H. Moore, Secretary. The brethren gave me a cordial reception at Timmins. They have built a magnificent hall, which is well and comfortably furnished, up-to-date in every respect. The building is 40 by 72 feet, and its two stories are devoted exclusively to Masonic purposes. One hundred and thirty-six brethren signed the register at this meeting, and from the growing importance which attaches to Timmins as the centre of a rich mining district, I predict a very bright future for this lodge.

On June 30th, 1915, the last official act of my year of office was performed by the regular institution of Cochrane Lodge U.D. W. Bro. W. S. Carter is W. M., Bro. C. A. Hamilton S. W., Bro. H. Conn, J. W., and Bro. J. G. Gates, Secretary. The brethren have provided a comfortable and commodious lodge room, well furnished and appointed in every respect. Cochrane has already become well known as a railroad centre, and the establishment of Divisional headquarters of the N. T. C. Railway there, will provide good material from which the new lodge will largely draw its membership.

It is an economic coincidence worth noting that of these three lodges, two should represent two of the most important natural industries of Ontario, viz., pulp and paper, and gold mining; while the third combines agriculture with the great business of transportation.

Lodge of Instruction at Cobalt.

January 22nd, 1915, proved a red letter day to the Masons of the northern section of the district, for on that date a widely advertised Lodge of In-

struction was held at Cobalt at which the W. Ms. and officers of Cobalt, Haileybury, New Liskeard, and Elk Lake actively participated. The district was highly honoured by the presence of the M. W. the Grand Master, assisted by V. W. Bro. A. Curran, P. G. D. of C. A large gathering of Masons from all parts of the district united in giving the Grand Master a very hearty welcome.

The lodge was opened at three p.m. by W. Bro. Stewart and officers of Silver Lodge No. 486, and after the M. W. the Grand Master had been received and honoured, the chairs were vacated in favour of W. Bro. Lockington and officers of Haileybury Lodge No. 485, who exemplified the work of the first degree with musical accompaniment.

At 5.15 p.m. W. Bro. Sutcliffe and officers of Temiscaming Lodge No. 462 exemplified the work of the second degree. At 8 p.m. W. Bro. Stewart, officers and choir exemplified the work of the third degree, after which the closing ceremonies were performed by W. Bro. Albert Skill, of Elk Lake Lodge No. 507.

It was my great pleasure to present to the M. W. the Grand Master a gavel made of silver in its native state, suitably engraved, as a slight token of the esteem and loyalty in which he is held by his brethren of the north.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies a banquet was given at which 180 of the brethren were seated. Several well known speakers responded to various toasts, but the outstanding feature of the evening was the powerful and inspiring address given by the M. W. the Grand Master, chiefly dealing with the high calling set by Masonic principles.

A collection amounting to \$52.00 was taken for the Belgian Fund. More than 300 brethren from various parts of the district attended this lodge of Instruction.

Social Functions at Official Visits.

Time and space forbid more than a general reference to the social hour spent in refreshment

after labour at each lodge on my official visit. In every instance I was cordially received and royally entertained. Masonry in the North believes in cultivating fraternity at the fourth degree, and without doubt a great deal of good must result from friendships thus cultivated and enlarged. Masonic teaching and patriotism are the subjects generally dwelt upon at these gatherings, and the relation which Masonry bears to the strengthening of national life is a theme that has taken on new importance in keeping with the times.

Official Visits.

Nipissing Lodge No. 420, North Bay. The commencement of my official visits began with this lodge on November 9th. W. Bro. J. B. Willis was in the East and conferred the first degree in a creditable manner. The lodge room is well furnished; the appointments are good, and the members enthusiastic. R. W. Bros. Young and Rora-beck accompanied me on this visit. There was a large attendance.

Mattawa Lodge No. 405, Mattawa. This is the oldest lodge in the district. On my visit here on November 10th, I was sorry to find W. Bro. Richardson unavoidably absent. The work, which was in the first degree, was put on by W. Bro. J. H. Bell, assisted by the regular officers of the lodge. The brethren of Mattawa Lodge met with the misfortune of a fire on January 21st, which damaged their lodge furniture, but did not interfere with the regularity of their meetings. The regret of the M. W. the Grand Master was expressed at the lodge of instruction, and duly communicated to Mattawa Lodge by the District Secretary.

Sturgeon Falls Lodge No. 447, Sturgeon Falls. My visit to this lodge was paid on November 11th, and the work of the first degree was conferred by W. Bro. W. C. Austin and officers in a most pleasing manner. The brethren here have very comfortable quarters which they own; their books are well kept by Secretary Parliament, and their membership is healthy and active.

Temiscaming Lodge No. 462, New Liskeard. R. W. Bros. Haentschel and Haynes accompanied me on my visit to this lodge on November 19th. W. Bro. H. W. Sutcliffe and officers put on the work of the first degree in a worthy manner, and before closing requested me to present Past Masters jewels to W. Bros. McLeod and McKnight, both P. Ms. of Temiscaming lodge. This Lodge is the pioneer of the north. The brethren own their building and have comfortable and well appointed quarters, which recently were further improved.

Elk Lake Lodge No. 507, Elk Lake. On December 11th, accompanied by W. Bros. Sutcliffe and James, I visited this lodge. The work of the evening was in the first degree, and was ably exemplified by W. Bro. Skill and his officers. There was a good attendance, nearly all the brethren in town being present. The lodge continues to make progress. A notable feature is the large number of brethren from this lodge, in proportion to membership, enlisted for overseas service. Capt. A. M. Daniels of the 48th Highlanders, who fell at Lange-marck, was a member of this lodge.

Porcupine Lodge No. 506, Porcupine. Visited December 17th. The work of the second degree was put on by W. Bro. C. M. Piercy and his officers in a very creditable manner. The building is nicely appointed, is owned by the brethren, and is almost free from debt. The progress of Masonry has been so great as to justify the establishment of a lodge at Timmins, already mentioned, which received the unanimous approval of this lodge.

Algoma Lodge No. 469, Sault Ste. Marie. My next visit on February 8th took me to the other extreme of the district, where I was accompanied by W. Bro. Rev. J. D. Byrnes, of Silver Lodge. A very pleasant and profitable evening was spent, in which W. Bro. J. M. Begg ably conferred the work of the first degree before a large gathering of the brethren, quite a number being visitors. I retain very pleasant recollections of the hearty reception tendered me by the W. M. and officers of Algoma Lodge.

Keystone Lodge No. 412, Sault Ste. Marie. This lodge was visited on February 9th, and I was honoured by the presence of R. W. Bros. Thompson, Way and McFadden and as many as eighteen P. Ms. W. Bro. W. A. Simpson occupied the East, and was ably assisted by his officers in conferring the third degree. Keystone is the second oldest and most aggressive lodge in the district. Over one hundred brethren attended this meeting. A patriotic banquet followed, presided over by R. W. Bro. Judge McFadden. The brethren have acquired a centrally situated lot, and look forward to the erection of a Masonic temple. A feature of this lodge is its "Occasional Attenders" Night, which might be worthy of emulation by other lodges.

Dyment Lodge No. 442, Thessalon. A representative gathering of the brethren assembled on February 10th at this lodge, some coming from as far as Bruce Mines. The work of the second degree was well put on by W. Bro. W. J. Buffy and his officers. The lodge has suffered somewhat by some of its members having moved away; but under the able leadership of the present W. M. the prospects still hold good.

Penewobikong Lodge No. 487, Blind River. On February 11th W. Bro. Dr. J. M. Robb and officers conferred the second degree in a capable manner. This lodge is energetic and progressive. They have very comfortable quarters, conveniently arranged. Especial mention should be made of the business-like manner in which the collection of dues is looked after by Bro. Brathwaite, who has occupied the office of Secretary since the constitution of the lodge.

Nickle Lodge No. 427, Sudbury. My official visit was paid to this lodge on March 3rd. The work of the first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. G. H. Davidson and officers. There was a very good attendance. The membership has now outgrown the size of the lodge room, and a number of the brethren have secured a lot on which they expect to erect a Masonic Temple when business

conditions become more settled. W. Bro. Fowler still continues to efficiently perform the duties of Secretary.

Silver Lodge No. 486, Cobalt. On March 29th W. Bro. H. J. Stewart and officers conferred the first degree in a very impressive manner. About 75 brethren were present, including several Past Masters, who shared in the work of the evening. The Cobalt brethren possess a lodge building of which they are justly proud. Its appointments are all that can be desired. A branch of the Red Cross has been formed among the members, and they meet in the banquet room three nights each week for the purpose of rolling bandages.

Haileybury Lodge No. 485, Haileybury This is my home lodge, and was officially visited on May 6th. I was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Haentschel and several P. Ms. W. Bro. H. Lockington and officers put on the work of the second degree in a very able manner. A large number were present. Haileybury Lodge possesses excellent appointments, the books are well kept, and the records of the lodge preserved in good order.

Doric Lodge No. 455, Little Current. Visited on June 8th. I was accompanied by W. Bro. Dibblee and several brethren from Espanola. The work of the third degree was impressively conferred by W. Bro. Jos. Ellenton. He was assisted by R. W. Bro. J. B. Wallace, who takes an active and personal interest in the welfare of Doric Lodge. The quarters are very comfortable and well furnished. There was a good attendance. The application for a new lodge at Espanola was recommended by Doric Lodge.

Gore Bay Lodge No. 472, Gore Bay. My last official visit was made on June 9th. I was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Wallace and several brethren from other lodges. W. Bro. F. W. Baxter and his officers conferred the work of the second degree in a very creditable manner. The lodge room is comfortable, the appointments are good, and the books are in splendid shape.

General Information.

The following statistics may prove of interest to the Board of General Purposes:

There are 18 lodges in the district.

They comprise a membership of 2,434.

\$2,364.40 has been paid in general relief.

\$2,053.50 has been paid to the Belgian Fund.

Arrears total \$2,178.00, which is much too large.

All lodges but one carry insurance.

Five lodges own their buildings.

Initiation fees vary from \$25.00 to \$60.00.

Twelve lodges include regalia with their initiation fee.

Affiliation fees vary from 50c to \$10.00.

Resident dues vary from \$3.00 to \$6.00.

Non-resident dues from \$2.00 to \$6.00.

Five lodges install on June 24th.

Two lodges install in October.

One lodge installs in November.

One lodge installs in December.

Six lodges install on December 27th.

Three are under dispensation.

District mileage.—Cochrane to North Bay, branch lines and return, 630 miles; Mattawa to Sault Ste. Marie, branch lines and return, 750 miles; Total mileage, one round trip, 1,380 miles.

In the performance of my official duties I have travelled nearly four thousand miles, and spent thirty-four full days travelling and visiting the various lodges. These figures may have an important bearing upon the question of a division of the district.

Conclusion.

It is a matter for regret that my other duties prevented the formation of a Past Masters' Association of the Temiscaming lodges; but this legacy I bequeath to my successor, as the only item under the head of unfinished business.

My year of office has been an exceedingly pleasant one in every respect. It has been my con-

stant aim to perform the duties of representative of the M. W. the Grand Master in this district to the best of my ability, and notwithstanding the large area covered and the time entailed, I will have been more than repaid if my work has proved helpful to others.

I especially acknowledge assistance received from the District Secretary, who has rendered valuable service in the interests of Masonry in the Eighteenth District.

Finally, I must express gratitude to the G. A. O. T. U. for favours received; coupled with the hope that harmony and brotherly love may abundantly continue.

Fraternally submitted.

N. J. McAULAY, D.D.G.M.,
Nipissing District No. 18.

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Table Shewing the Work Done in Nipissing District No. 18, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

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			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Regular						Emergent	Total												
405	Mattawa	Mattawa	117	5	5	5	7	7						2	14	3	17	12	124	00	19	29	00	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Yes	1800 00
412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	374	26		21	25	28	14			1		3	11	32	13	40	216	00	34	156	00	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00
420	Nipissing	North Bay	212			10	13	14	3					2	11	22	31	165	00	47	816	00	Dec. 29	1914	Good	Yes	1250 00	
427	Nickel	Sudbury	249	29		30	19	11		1				1	13	9	22	29	228	45	41	406	00	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Yes	400 00
442	Dymont	Thessalon	101	3		6	9	9		1				1	13	4	17	20		25	332	00	Dec. 28	1914	Fair	Yes	2600 00	
447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	93	5	5	4	8	7		1				1	13	4	17	20	195	00	21	126	35	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00
455	Doric	Little Current	91	6	7	6	6	6		2	5			3	14	3	17	10		89	17	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	2500 00		
462	Teniscaming	New Liskeard	190	3		11	15	7	2					3	15	23	110	00	13	131	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	200 00		
469	Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie	192	10		15	14	16		1				4	26	37	18	237	00	7	18	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	400 00	
472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay	75	4	1	3	2	1	1	5	7			1	12	1	13	14	35	00	8	49	50	Dec. 28	1914	Fair	Yes	3500 00
485	Haileybury	Haileybury	169	7		14	13	12	3					7	14	9	23	35	300	00	12	80	00	Dec. 28	1914	Good	Yes	5500 00
486	Silver	Cobalt	193			2	13	10	19	1	6			2	13	9	22	34	328	25	6	21	00	June 24	1915	Bright	Yes	650 00
487	Penewobikong	Blind River	60			2	1	2	3	1				11	21	13	20	126	00	1	35	00	Dec. 27	1914	Fair	Yes	1900 00	
506	Porecupine	Porecupine	121	26	8	23	26	15	2	1				1	13	26	30	25	193	70	13	58	00	Dec. 27	1914	Good	Yes	500 00
507	Elk Lake	Elk Lake	81	15		2	12	6						3	12	11	23	15	76	00	7	325	00	June 24	1915	Excel't	Yes	500 00
527	Espanola	Espanola	21			5	1							1	3	1	4	15						1, 2		Good	Yes	2000 00
UD	Golden Beaver	Timmins	36											1	1	1	1									Good	Yes	
UD	Cochrane	Cochrane	26											1	1	1	1	24								Good	Yes	

MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit my report on the Condition of Masonry in District No. 19 for the past year.

I desire first to thank the brethren of the district for the very high honour conferred on me by electing me their D.D.G.M.

Shortly after assuming office I notified the different lodges in the district of my election, and also appointed Dr. J. J. Wilson, District Secretary.

He made a very capable and efficient officer and accompanied me on most of my official visits, and being an enthusiastic Mason, helped to make our meetings more interesting, and at each of the meetings the greatest harmony and good feeling existed.

For some years past District No. 19 held a Lodge of Instruction at Huntsville, which proved a great help to the officers of the district in securing uniformity of work in the different degrees, and where a very profitable and pleasant time was spent in renewing acquaintances and making new friends, but this year at the suggestion of Muskoka Lodge No. 360 no lodge of instruction was held and the expenses annually incurred on same, fifteen dollars per lodge, was unanimously donated to the Belgian Relief Fund, which I am pleased to state has been fully made up.

Official Visits.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 409, Gravenhurst. The official visit was made to this lodge Monday, April 5th, when several of the brethren were at the station to welcome the D.D.G.M. and Secretary. It was their regular night of meeting and a good number of the members were present. The lodge

was opened in the three degrees and the work was done in the third degree by the W. M., Bro. E. Clipsham and the immediate P. M., Bro. S. Scott who had a thorough knowledge of the work. I examined the Secretary's books, V. W. Bro. Davidson being in charge of them, and well qualified for the work. Golden Rule lodge room and its equipment are quite up to date and few are better furnished for the working of the different degrees.

Unity Lodge No. 376, Huntsville. On Wednesday, April 14th, I made my official visit to Huntsville. A fair attendance of the members were present. The lodge was opened in the different degrees and one candidate received the third degree. The work was performed in a very satisfactory manner by the W. M., P. C. Marsh, and P.D.D.G. M., J. E. Fisher. This lodge has the advantage of having in their membership several P.D.D.G.Ms., who take a lively interest in the work, the present Secretary, D. M. Grant, being one of them, and needless to say makes a very efficient Secretary.

Algonquin Lodge No. 434, Emsdale, was visited unofficially at their regular meeting in December when the different chairs were all filled by Past Masters of Algonquin from the W. M. to the O. G. and each performed his share of the ceremony in an almost faultless manner. This lodge is fortunate in having so many capable Past Masters, and they are also punctual in their attendance. The official visit was made May 6th when two candidates were passed. Algonquin Lodge has a large territory to draw its membership from, many of them coming long distances regularly. It is in a flourishing condition and the books are excellently kept by the Secretary, J. H. Metcalfe, P.D.D.G.M.

Powassan Lodge No. 443, Powassan. The official visit to this lodge was made on the night of the regular meeting, March 12th, and was the first of my official visits.

The work of the evening consisted in conferring a third degree which was done in a thoroughly competent manner by the W. M., W. Bro. Williams, and officers, assisted by R. W. Bro. A. S. Porter,

one of the P. Ms., who still takes a deep interest in its welfare. The books are well kept by the Secretary, Bro. D. C. Bingham, who is accurate and painstaking in his office. The prospects of the lodge are good and the P. Ms take an active interest in its affairs.

In former years a too free use of the black ball hindered the progress and harmony of the lodge, but this trouble appears to be dying out.

Corona Lodge No. 454, Burk's Falls. I visited this lodge officially on April 5th at their regular meeting. As this was Easter Monday, and a concert was being held the same evening in the Town hall, the attendance was not as large as it usually is on such occasions. The W. M., W. Bro. G. H. Silvester, expected to confer a first degree, but the candidate was out of town for the holiday and thereby caused disappointment. The lodge was opened in the several degrees in an almost faultless manner, and as I have visited this lodge on several occasions I am able to say their reputation for accuracy and precision in the work of the several degrees is being fully maintained. The P. Ms. are regular in attendance and enthusiastic for the welfare of the lodge. The books are exceedingly well kept by the Secretary, R. W. Bro. J. W. Harris, and the Treasurer, V. W. Bro. Jos. Hilliar. This lodge has had a number of serious drawbacks from fire and having to change its place of meetings from time to time, but has surmounted them nobly and is in a flourishing condition. This was their last meeting in present quarters but they have secured others which when renovated will be vastly superior and which they hope to occupy by August 1st. The work is most efficient and harmonious, and the prospects bright for the future.

Muskoka Lodge No. 360, Bracebridge. The official visit to this lodge was made at the regular meeting, April 6th, when the W. M., W. Bro. Elliott and officers conferred the third degree, assisted by P. Ms. The prospects of this lodge seem to be improving with a more harmonious spirit prevailing than existed some years ago. The de-

gree work of the officers was good and the prospects of the lodge are bright. The Secretary's work is exceedingly well done by V. W. Bro. F. P. Warne. The finances of the lodge are in good condition and the Treasurer's books are well kept.

Granite Lodge No. 352, Parry Sound. I visited this lodge officially on the night of their regular meeting, April 21st. The third degree was exemplified in an almost faultless manner by W. Bro. H. M. Purvis and officers. The Secretary, R. W. Bro. Col. Knifton, is an admirable officer and has the books under his care in excellent shape. The Treasurer's books are also well kept, and show a good balance on hand. This is much the strongest lodge numerically and financially in the district, and splendid harmony prevails. A large number of military brethren were present and gave a sort of patriotic tinge to the excellent programme. Several visitors were present including many P. Ms., among whom was W. Bro. James Arthurs, M.P., Powassan. This lodge is rich in P. Ms., who take a deep interest in its welfare; altogether a most enjoyable and profitable time was spent. The membership has outgrown the accommodation and the brethren are contemplating larger quarters.

Strong Lodge No. 423, Sundridge. I visited this lodge at its regular meeting on April 19th, when the second degree was conferred by the W. M., W. Bro. H. B. Andrew, and officers in a very creditable manner. W. Bro. Elliott makes an efficient Secretary and as I am the Treasurer of this lodge I refrain from comment thereon. The lodge is in a prosperous condition with very fair prospects for the future, and as I am familiar with the work as performed by this lodge, I may be permitted to say that it is quite up to, if not above, the average. A large number of visitors were present from Corona No. 454, Burk's Falls, as well as from other lodges.

Fraternally submitted.

JOS. EDGAR, D.D.G.M.,
Muskoka District No. 19.

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			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Restorations	Restorations	Regular					Emergency	Total												
352	Granite	Parry Sound	169	6	12	8	7	1	3	1	3	1	2	10	2	12	36	139	00	31	206	00	Dec.	1914	First cl	Yes	7000 00	
360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	84	4	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	11	3	14	16	205	00	25	35	13	Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	300 00	
376	Unity	Huntsville	124	7	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	1	2	21	2	23	23	50	00	18	174	00	Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	300 00
409	Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	92	6	9	6	4	6	1	1	2	8	1	1	13	13	19	40	00	18	70	00	Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	1000 00	
423	Strong	Sundridge	69	5	6	5	4	5	1	1	3	2	1	1	11	11	28	92	00	5	45	00	June	1915	Good	Fair	Yes	500 00
434	Algonquin	Emsdale	109	7	1	7	7	9	1	1	1	1	1	13	2	15	20	90	00	20	160	00	Dec.	1914	Good	Yes	300 00	
443	Powassan	Powassan	80	4	4	4	3	3	1	1	2	6	1	1	13	1	14	16	5	00	18	59	00	Dec.	31	Fair	400 00
454	Corona	Burk's Falls	73	2	4	4	3	6	1	1	2	1	1	2	13	3	16	15	18	89	50	June	23	Good	Yes	250 00	

OTONABEE DISTRICT No. 20.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting for your consideration my report on Otonabee District No. 20, I first desire to express my hearty appreciation of the honour I have received from the brethren of the district in electing me to this high and important office, a position which I accepted fully realizing the responsibility it imposed upon me. I must also express my gratitude to the brethren for the utmost kindness and consideration shown to me during my term of office.

Masonry is holding its own in this district, and I have found good work, good fellowship and the best fraternal feelings existing among the lodges. The lodge rooms are comfortable, nicely furnished and have all been properly dedicated.

On Wednesday, May 12th, a Lodge of Instruction was held in Peterborough, under the joint auspices of Peterborough, Corinthian and Royal Arthur Lodges. The E. A. degree was exemplified in a faultless manner by Jerusalem Lodge, the fellowcraft by Corinthian Lodge and the sublime degree by the officers of the three Peterborough Lodges. The work in all the degrees was splendidly done and I feel under great obligation to the Peterborough brethren for their assistance in making the Lodge of Instruction a success. The outside attendance was small.

On Tuesday, September 29th, 1914, I visited Durham Lodge No. 66, Newcastle, accompanied by W. Bro. F. J. Mitchell, W. M. of Jerusalem Lodge, and several P. Ms. There was a good attendance. R. W. Bro. Garfatt, P.D.D.G.M., and several brethren from Port Hope, W. Bro. McCulloch, W. M. of Orono Lodge, and several Orono brethren. The third degree was exemplified in a very able manner by the W. M., W. Bro. F. C. Hoar, who has been a very enthusiastic presiding officer.

Durham Lodge has been looking up considerably during the last two years. R. W. Bro. McLeod, who has been one of the strong supporters of the lodge, has left the district and will be very much missed.

Orono Lodge No. 325. I paid my official visit to this lodge on October 29th, 1914, accompanied by Bro. H. J. Knight, of Jerusalem Lodge. The W. M., Dr. McCulloch, did the work in the second degree and showed that the lodge has kept up its past reputation. The attendance was rather small owing to bad roads and inclement weather.

Peterborough Lodge No. 155. I visited this lodge on Friday, December 4th, 1914, on the occasion of Past Masters' night. This lodge has a splendid array of Past Masters who keep well in touch with the work, as shown by the faultless manner in which the sublime degree was exemplified. The W. M., W. Bro. Fowler, opened and closed in the three degrees. R. W. Bro. Walkey is a most efficient Secretary and is a tower of strength to the lodge. My visit to this lodge was a most enjoyable one.

Jerusalem Lodge No. 31, Bowmanville. I took the opportunity of visiting my mother lodge on the occasion of the festival of St. John the Evangelist. The officers were installed by R. W. Bro. Bounsall, who still keeps up his deep interest in Masonry. As I have had many opportunities since of seeing the newly elected officers at work, I am satisfied that, with W. Bro. W. J. Bragg in the East, assisted by the good staff of officers he has, Jerusalem Lodge will keep up, if not surpass, its previous reputation. It was remarkable to note the number of lodges in different parts of the world represented among its visitors.

Ontario Lodge No. 26, Port Hope. Accompanied by several brethren of Jerusalem Lodge I visited this lodge on Friday, March 19th, 1915. There was a splendid attendance and the work, two initiations, was well done by W. Bro. Walker, assisted by the P. Ms. This lodge is in a very flour-

ishing condition. R. W. Bro. Robertson has retired from the Secretaryship after many years of efficient service.

J. B. Hall Lodge No. 145, Millbrook. Although there was no work on the occasion of my official visit to this lodge, W. Bro. Jemison and his officers exemplified the second degree in a very creditable manner and also examined a candidate in the third degree. The lodge rooms have been redecorated in a very tasty manner and make a very inviting Masonic home. This lodge is in a splendid condition. R. W. Bro. Smith continues to take a deep interest in Masonic affairs.

Norwood Lodge No. 223, Norwood. I visited this lodge on Monday, March 29th, and saw an initiation, the work being well done. The W. M., W. Bro. McClelland, takes a deep interest in Masonry, holding office in the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and has contributed in the annual report some valuable material on the history of Freemasonry. R. W. Bro. Ford, V. W. Bro. Pearce and my predecessor, R. W. Bro. Squire, continue to take a very active interest in the lodge.

Royal Arthur Lodge U.D., Peterborough. This is the most recent addition to Otonabee District and it gave me great pleasure on the occasion of my official visit, Easter Monday, April 5th, to note the progress it had made. It has the material for a very successful career with such officers as R. W. Bro. Kenner, R. W. Bro. Crane, W. Bro. Higgins, and as Secretary, R. W. Bro. Walkey. One candidate was raised in a very impressive manner. The social side of Masonry is well looked after and the fourth degree was a very pleasant affair.

Clementi Lodge No. 313, Lakefield. Owing to the non-appearance of the candidate there was no work at this lodge on the occasion of my official visit on Tuesday, April 6th. The W. M. opened and closed in the three degrees. This lodge seems very prosperous, in good shape financially, cosy lodge rooms and the continued interest of such P. Ms. as V. W. Bro. Fraser and R. W. Bro. Hull.

Corinthian Lodge No. 101, Peterborough. This is a live lodge supported by a goodly line of enthusiastic P. Ms. I visited this lodge on April 16th, when two second degrees were exemplified by the W. M., W. Bro. Morphet, assisted by a number of P. Ms. The work was very impressively put on and made more so by the two splendid candidates on whom the degree was conferred.

W. Bro. Morris looks well to the performance of the Secretary's duties.

Keene Lodge No. 374, Keene. There was rather a small attendance on the occasion of my visit to this lodge on April 29th, doubtless due to the fact that a large numbers of the members of the lodge are non-resident and a great many living in the country. W. Bro. McNeill is again in the East and his continued interest in Masonry has been a great help in keeping up Keene Lodge. The work of the evening was a second degree.

Lorne Lodge No. 375, Omeme. Accompanied by a number of Peterborough brethren I visited this lodge on May 6th. There was no work on for the evening. This lodge, though suffering from non-resident members, seems to be holding its own. W. Bro. Horne has the books in good shape.

Hope Lodge No. 114, Port Hope. The lodge room was filled to overflowing when I visited on May 7th. One candidate was initiated in a most excellent manner. The tone of the lodge seems to be good. Good work, enthusiastic officers and continued interest of the P. Ms. There were a number of guests present including R. W. Bros. Garfatt and Long.

Havelock Lodge No. 435, Havelock. Owing to sickness R. W. Bro. Squire officiated in my place on May 28th, and I submit his report: "There was a large number (about 75) present including brethren from Campbellford and Norwood. R. W. Bro. Watson, of Campbellford, being present. The first degree was very effectively put on by the W. M., W. Bro. Anderson, assisted by the P. Ms., who

always take a very active part in the work of this lodge. The lodge is prosperous, books and lodge funds well looked after."

During my term of office I have brought the matter of the Belgian Fund before the lodges of the district and have met with a good response. At the time of writing all the lodges with the exception of three have paid their assessment and these have promised to meet theirs before Grand Lodge assemblies.

Since taking office the European war has broken out and is still raging. It is worth noting that many brethren of this district are serving at the front and some have given up their lives for their country. There is scarcely a lodge in this district but has its representatives in the expeditionary forces.

It had been my intention to give a list of names of our brethren serving but I understand Grand Lodge has already taken up this matter.

In conclusion, let me express my appreciation of the assistance given me and the kind and courteous manner in which I have been received throughout the district.

Fraternally submitted.

G. C. BONNYCASTLE, D.D.G.M.,
Otonabee District No. 20.

EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The pleasing duties of D.D.G.M. of this district have been finally completed and I submit a report of the same.

Owing to ill health my visits have necessarily been postponed till near the end of the term, but weather conditions being most favourable I have enjoyed motor boat and automobile trips to all the lodges visited.

I appointed as District Chaplain R. W. Bro. Charles O. Carson, P.D.D.G.M., and as District Secretary R. W. Bro. Dr. G. M. Gorrell, P.G.R. They accompanied me on most of my visits and have proven valuable assistants.

The work I have had the pleasure of witnessing throughout the district has been very uniform and has needed scarcely any criticism. Some few lodges through not having had any work to do are a little out of practice, but I could plainly see that it was only through lack of rehearsal that errors were made.

I have during the year made, in some cases one, in others two and three appeals for the Belgian Relief Fund. Several lodges promptly passed an order for the full amount, others left the matter voluntary with the members and in consequence are slower in receiving the amounts due, but I trust by the time Grand Lodge meets that the district will have responded as it should.

Having occupied the position of Secretary of a lodge which had allowed its dues to run for a number of years and realizing the benefit to be derived by having the books as clear as possible, I have urged on the lodges the desirability of looking after their finances. I have urged them to require old arrears to be paid, either in full or, that being impossible on the part of some of the brethren,

to settle for a stated amount, and warn the brother that if he becomes in arrears again he will be promptly suspended. Unfortunately two or three lodges in the district have their funds in a deplorable condition owing to their imagined leniency. Those I have seen have promised to take up the matter and do better.

Father Time in his passing has used his scythe very sparingly. Most of the ripened grain still stands and the harvest is not yet. For this favour let us express our gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe.

I was requested to attend and conduct the funeral service of our late respected R. W. Bro. Eden Abbott Johnston, P.D.D.G.M., Ottawa District No. 16, an honorary member of Hawkesbury Lodge No. 450. Owing to a previous Masonic engagement I was unable to attend. The funeral service was held October 30th, 1914, at L'Original, R. W. Bros. Bradley and Nicholson conducting the Masonic portion.

Plantagenet Lodge No. 186 held its gala day March 1st, when the new hall was dedicated. Unfortunately I was unable to be present. R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, D.G.M., kindly officiated, assisted by R. W. Bro. G. A. Bradley and V. W. Bro. Morrison. From reports received the evening will be one long to be remembered by those present.

Henderson Lodge No. 383, Winchester, was the first lodge I had the privilege of visiting. The candidate for the evening was absent. The lodge was opened and closed in the various degrees. The brethren of Henderson Lodge have a beautiful home. Masonry has always had its ideals well upheld in Winchester. With as worthy a P. M. ss W. Bro. A. Sweet the lodge is in good hands for the year. The Secretary informs me they are making an effort to have all arrears paid up during the year.

Wales Lodge No. 458 was visited May 24th. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees and the rest of the evening spent in social

intercourse. The finances of the lodge are kept well in hand, no members this year being twelve months in arrears.

Cardinal Lodge No. 491 was visited at the regular meeting in May. The third degree was conferred and considering all the officers I think perhaps the work was a little better done than any I witnessed throughout my visits. The Master, Dr. Locke, gave his work impressively and all the officers were alert and dignified. Their Secretary looks well after his work and keeps the dues of the lodge well paid up. Cardinal Lodge has good prospects ahead of it.

St. John's Lodge No. 21a, Vankleek Hill. R. W. Bro. Geo. Bradley, P.D.D.G.M., reports as follows: "At the request of R. W. Bro. W. C. Davy D.D.G.M., I paid an official visit to this lodge on evening of May 25th. The W. Master was unavoidably absent but the chair was ably filled by R. W. Bro. Jones, P.D.D.G.M., who with the regular officers of the lodge conducted the work of the evening in a very efficient manner. There was a fair attendance of members as well as a large number of visitors from sister lodges. Regret was expressed on every hand at the absence through illness of the D.D.G.M. The financial condition of this lodge is good. The books are well kept and I am glad to report that the full quota of St. John's Lodge was paid to the Belgian Fund. The brethren here lived up to their past reputation and in a hospitable manner provided for the entertainment of the guests. The speeches of the evening were all excellent and breathed a strong patriotic fervour. R. W. Bro. Rev. D. Stewart, P.G.C., made reference to our duty in the present crisis as subjects of the empire, as citizens of the Dominion, and as brothers of the mystic tie."

Lancaster Lodge No. 207, Tuesday May 25th. The brethren in Lancaster have a very cosy lodge room. Some old relics are their worthy pride. Much of the furniture has been made by members and very artistic it is. R. W. Bro. Nicholson has been a liberal contributor to these products of love

and devotion. There being no candidate present the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees. I spent some time in urging the brethren to look well after many of the brethren who had fallen behind in their dues and was assured that a vigorous attempt would be made to clear things up.

Friendly Bros. Lodge No. 143, Iroquois, May 26th. A Past Masters' night had been arranged and the third degree was exemplified. Rarely have I witnessed a past Masters' night with so little exhibition of any crust formation. Everything was done as if the P. Ms. had been in harness all the time, and while I did not see the regular officers in action I have no doubt but that they must be efficient when backed by such a proficient reserve.

Excelsior Lodge No. 142, Morrisburg, May 28th Here I was at home. The kindness of my brethren to relieve my necessities and soothe my afflictions during my long winter illness made the meeting very real to me as far as the true spirit of Masonry of my mother lodge was concerned. Again, I knew some things and endeavoured to say them in an earnest, kindly, generous spirit. R. W. Bro. Carson remarked later that he had been on several visits with me but had never heard me preach before. You might imagine from that that they are a bad "bunch" in Excelsior Lodge, but let me tell you right here now that you will have to travel "some" to find any better fellows and if they get the notion seriously there are few can surpass them in work. They've got the notion to work a little harder this fall.

Hawkesbury Lodge No. 450 was visited at the regular meeting on May 27th, by R. W. Bro. H. C. Jones, P.D.D.G.M. There were forty in attendance including visitors from Vankleek Hill and Plantagenet Lodges. The third degree was conferred. The W. M. of the lodge, W. Bro. Dr. Robt. M. Rutherford, presided and the officers were all present and filled their respective offices with credit. This lodge made a determined effort during the past year to collect all arrearages and succeeded admirably—there being now only a few members in

arrears. The lodge seems prosperous, its business affairs are carefully handled, books neatly and accurately kept, harmony exists among the brethren, and the future of the lodge gives promise of being entirely satisfactory. A social gathering followed and W. Bro. W. M. Shepherd, W. M. of Plantagenet Lodge No. 186, Riceville, addressed the gathering upon Masonic subjects. The address was sound, scholarly and highly appreciated.

On June 1st R. W. Bro. H. C. Jones, P.D.D.G. M., paid a visit to Alexandria Lodge No. 439. A large deputation from Hawkesbury and Vankleek Hill Lodges accompanied him. The attendance was 46. Alexandria Lodge has passed through a successful year. It has had a strong staff of officers and at this visit new officers, equally as well skilled as the retiring ones, were elected. Alexandria Lodge is particularly fortunate in having two thoroughly well informed Past Grand officers in the persons of R. W. Bro. G. Bradley, P.D.D.G.M., and R. W. Bro. Rev. D. Stewart, P. G. Chaplain, as regular attendants; both are office holders and take a very active interest in its affairs. The new Master-elect, Dr. H. L. Cheney, is an enthusiastic Mason, thoroughly well versed and above all, a young man highly esteemed in the community as a man of sterling principles. The second degree was conferred by W. M. Massey and his officers. I have seldom seen it done better. After the business had been completed the members gathered for a social hour together and listened to a splendid, carefully prepared and thoroughly interesting address upon "Some objections made to Masonry," by R. W. Bro. Shanks, D.D.G.M. of the Ottawa District. Alexandria Lodge is in safe hands.

Cornwall Lodge No. 125. June 2nd was the date of my visit to this lodge. Promptness in opening is a characteristic of the Cornwall brethren. The W. M. conferred the initiatory degree well. R. W. Bro. Harkness then assumed the gavel and the third degree was conferred in some forty-two minutes. Nothing however was lost by rapidity. R. W. Bro. Harkness has an impressive delivery and a rapid and excellent enunciation. Masonry is

solid in Cornwall. I was pleased to find that the brethren have discontinued the customary banquet and during these strenuous times are devoting their funds to channels where these are more helpful.

I was pleased to meet at this communication my much beloved and respected friend P. M. Major A. A. Smith, D.D.S., who has been worthily honoured with the 3rd in command of the Army Service Dental Corps. He has always been an honour and credit to every organization with which he has been connected and Cornwall Lodge is to be congratulated in having a man of his sterling qualities represent them in that important branch of the overseas contingent.

Maxville Lodge No. 418. On June 11th R. W. Bro. G. A. Bradley visited Maxville Lodge, the occasion of their regular communication. The regular officers were in the chairs and during the evening conferred a third degree in a manner that reflects great credit on all the officers. The finances of the lodge are in good condition, and their Secretary, W. Bro. T. W. Munro, has his books in excellent condition. This lodge has paid about sixty per cent. of its quota to the Belgian Fund and I expect that the full amount will be paid before Grand Lodge meets this year. The attendance of the evening was good. Several of the brethren delivered short addresses bearing on Masonry in this community and expressing regret at the absence of the D.D.G.M. This lodge is working harmoniously and all the brethren are striving to promote its best interests.

Chesterville Lodge No. 320, June 21st. What is more enjoyable than a ride through the country at this time in June. The delicate tints of flowers, the various greens of fields, the graceful shades and shapes of woods, make us wonder whether we would rather live eternally in June or gaze on the jeweled gates and golden stairs of the pictured hereafter for all good Masons. June "for mine." But I must stop or the "Censor" will be throwing this out. What about Chesterville? I didn't worry much about that because I had met and known pretty

well a goodly number of the brethren there before and if there are any better I'd travel a good way to meet them. However, that didn't save them from having a lecture read to them re Belgian Relief Fund. When I got through I found that they had in hand or had sent in some \$40.00, and learned the rest was coming. I was pleased I had not found them wanting. There being no work the lodge was opened and closed in the various degrees. I was glad to meet the veteran janitor, Bro. Moad, 82 years of age, and made a Mason in my mother lodge about 60 years ago. Our gratitude to the G. A. O. T. U. for these sturdy, faithful, conscientious old men. They must have the principles of Masonry engraven on their hearts. Chesterville Lodge is in good hands.

Avonmore Lodge No. 452, June 22nd. It threatened rain all afternoon and did rain, but we finally arrived. The brethren were new acquaintances so it was difficult to get the same freedom from the officers. However, the lodge conferred the third degree and, allowing for the nervousness which a District Deputy seems to instill, the work was well done. Avonmore Lodge can be placed among the foremost for spirit and genuine hospitality. They are having a steady, healthy growth.

Farran's Point Lodge No. 256, Aultsville, June 23rd. I always feel as much at home with the Aultsville brethren as I do in my own lodge. That evening, R. W. Bro. Hanes, P.D.D.G.M., had the privilege of initiating his third son and I willingly put aside my inspection of the Master's ability to do the work. The other officers of the lodge were very proficient. I had the extreme pleasure of seeing a veteran Mason, a good citizen, a personal friend and faithful employee in the Grand Trunk presented upon his superannuation with a handsome Morris chair. "You earned it, Bro. Sim Loucks. Masonry is safe, sure, secure in Aultsville.

Williamsburg Lodge No. 480, June 24th. I'm sorry, heartily sorry, that this is the last lodge I have to talk about. If these reports didn't have to be so brief I would like to say a whole lot more. Most of

the originators of this lodge I knew as members of old Excelsior Lodge, and good members and good Masons they were. I am glad they left us because they have "made good," and have gathered under the standard many good men we never would have touched. They have enlarged the brotherhood of man. They have the Belgian Relief Fund paid in full, they have no arrears in dues, they know their work, they are experts in Masonic science, no worry about Williamsburg.

In conclusion, my gratitude to the district for the honour given me so kindly. During my illness I was often deeply moved at the kindly solicitations for my health and good wishes for speedy recovery. These, often coming from brethren whom I had never met, impressed me with the sincerity and earnestness and genuine sympathy which pervades the Masonic order.

I wish to thank here R. W. Bro. Luke, D.G.M., R. W. Bros. Bradley, Jones, Carson, Gorrell and Nicholson for assistance rendered or proffered, enabling the affairs of the district to be properly conducted, although I was not able to visit all the lodges personally I feel satisfied that the work left undone by me has been as well, if not better done by these kind brethren.

I wish to assure my successor of one of the most pleasant years of his Masonic life.

Fraternally submitted.

WILL. C. DAVY, D.D.G.M.,
Eastern District No. 21.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Eastern District No. 21, from June 24th, 1914, to June 24th, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd			Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arr'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees?	Insurance		
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.							M. M.													
															Regular	Emergent										Total	
21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill	59	1	5	6	5	7	1	1	5	1	10	10	1	11	17	129	00	45	00	June 24	Fair	Fair	Yes	1000 00	
125	Cornwall	Cornwall	137	6	2	6	5	7	1	1	2	1	2	12	2	14	25	50	00	7	14	70	Dec. 27	Good	Good	Yes	900 00
142	Excelsior	Morrisburg	71	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	7	7	2	9	14	75	00	11	27	50	Dec. 21	Fair	Fair	Yes	275 00
143	Friendly Bros	Iroquois	102	4	4	2	2	2	1	2	3	1	14	14	1	14	12	31	00	10	46	25	Dec. 27	V. good	V. good	Yes	350 00
186	Plantagenet	Riceville	60	8	2	6	7	9	2	1	1	1	14	14	1	15	16	11	50	19	76	50	Dec. 27	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	129	9	1	9	7	5	1	1	1	1	11	11	2	13	20	40	00	36	292	00	June 24	Fair	Fair	Yes	1350 00
256	Farran's Point	Aultsville	95	1	1	3	2	4	1	1	1	1	12	12	2	14	15	47	00	6	80	00	Dec. 27	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	99	2	1	3	4	2	1	3	3	13	13	13	12	26	34	00	48	170	00	May 14	Good	Good	Yes	2000 00	
383	Henderson	Winchester	91	5	3	2	2	2	2	6	1	2	12	12	1	16	43	00	20	101	00	Dec. 27	Good	Good	Yes	400 00	
418	Maxville	Maxville	77	1	5	4	4	4	1	1	1	2	13	13	3	16	15	60	00	24	330	00	Dec. 27	Fair	Good	Yes	500 00
439	Alexandria	Alexandria	68	2	1	4	4	4	1	2	2	2	2	12	1	13	16	65	00	9	49	75	July	V. fair	V. fair	Yes	500 00
450	Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury	68	2	4	2	3	2	2	2	1	1	11	11	3	14	90	10	00	14	82	00	Dec. 29	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
452	Avonmore	Avonmore	102	4	4	4	4	5	1	1	1	1	13	13	1	15	82	00	00	00	00	Dec. 27	Fair	Fair	Yes	500 00	
458	Wales	Wales	86	3	1	3	3	3	1	1	2	1	15	15	1	16	80	51	00	00	00	Dec. 29	Good	Good	Yes	300 00	
480	Williamsburg	Williamsburg	46	6	1	6	5	4	1	1	1	1	12	12	2	14	20	40	00	4	14	00	June 24	Fair	Fair	Yes	250 00
491	Cardinal	Cardinal	56	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

The following distinguished visitors were announced and were introduced by M. W. Bros. J. Ross Robertson and E. T. Malone, viz.: Lt.-Colonel F. C. McCordick, C.O.; Major C. C. Wansbrough and Captain R. M. Harcourt, of the 35th Battalion Canadian Overseas Contingent; and Lieutenants H. Dudley Waters and A. Wilson, of the 37th Battalion Canadian Overseas Contingent, members of the craft in training at Camp Niagara; who were received with grand honours and were welcomed by the M.W. the Grand Master, who commended them for their patriotic spirit in offering their valuable services to their King and country for the defence of humanity and right in the war now raging in Europe. In the name of Grand Lodge the M.W. the Grand Master wished them success and God speed and a safe return to their home land and to their families and friends.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON WARRANTS.

The R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R.W. Bro. A. J. Young, Chairman of the Committee on Warrants:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Warrants, begs to report as follows:

Your committee, having examined the various books and records presented to them by lodges under dispensation, recommend that warrants be granted to the following:

Royal Arthur Lodge No. 523, Peterborough.
 Mississauga Lodge No. 524, Port Credit.
 Temple Lodge No. 525, Toronto.
 Ionic Lodge No. 526, Westboro.
 Espanola Lodge No. 527, Espanola.

We further recommend that the dispensations granted to the following lodges be continued for another year.:

Golden Beaver Lodge, Timmins.
 Myra Lodge, Komoka.
 Cochrane Lodge, Cochrane.

Your committee desire again to point out that the minute book of the lodge must contain a complete record of the transactions of each meeting.

It is desirable to keep a minute book for committees, but it is irregular to deal with the report of a committee without including the report of the committee in the regular minutes of the lodge. There should only be one lodge minute book and it should be a complete record.

Fraternally submitted,

A. J. YOUNG,

Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R.W. Bro. A. J. Young, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Warrants be received and adopted.

It was announced by R.W. Bro. James McGregor, D.D.G.M., Hamilton District No. 8, that at a Lodge of Instruction held at Brantford in May last, a movement was started for rendering suitable aid to the wounded soldiers at the front; it was decided to collect funds from the lodges in the district wherewith to present an ambulance to the Red Cross Society. The responses of the lodges were so liberal that it was found possible to procure two ambulances instead of one; these had already been delivered to the Red Cross Society and shipped overseas. The M.W. the Grand Master, at the R.W. Brother's request, authorized the Grand Secretary to make a formal transfer of the ambulances to the Canadian Red Cross Society as a contribution from the Masonic Lodges in the Hamilton District.

CALLED OFF.

At 1.20 o'clock p.m. Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment, to meet again at 3.00 o'clock p.m.

CALLED ON.

The Grand Lodge resumed labour at 3.00 o'clock p.m.

M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Grand Master, on the throne; grand officers, members and representatives present.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

The R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by V.W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, Chairman of the Committee on Printing and Supplies:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the committee on Printing and Supplies, desires to call the attention of members of Grand Lodge to the progress made with the installation of the Card Index in the office of the Grand Secretary. Forty thousand cards have already been written and before the next annual communication it is anticipated that the chronological record of the membership of Grand Lodge will be complete. The index will include the names of every member of the craft in this jurisdiction since the formation of the Grand Lodge of Canada sixty years ago, an approximate total of 120,000, so that the Masonic record of every brother will be promptly available. The Grand Secretary is in receipt annually of scores of requests from our own and sister jurisdictions asking for information regarding the antecedents of many brethren and with the completion of the Card Index your Board feels that the work of the Grand Secretary's office will in this respect be greatly lightened.

Your Committee would call attention to the change in the make-up of the annual report, which renders it more convenient for reference. Certain slight changes in the forms of the tables have been discussed with the Grand Secretary and these when embodied in the report of the present proceedings will, it is felt, be found beneficial to those brethren who make frequent use of the report.

Your Committee desires to extend its thanks to the several committees of the Board for the prompt manner in which they have supplied copy for the printer at this annual communication, thereby enabling your committee to make record progress with the printing of the reports.

Fraternally submitted,

R. F. RICHARDSON,
Chairman

It was moved by R.W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by V. W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Printing and Supplies be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON AUDIT AND FINANCE.

The R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R.W. Bro. Geo. S. May, Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Finance:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUDIT AND FINANCE.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Audit and Finance, begs leave to report that it has examined the books and Vouchers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, as well as the work, and certificates of the Grand Lodge Auditor, and has found the work of these officials to be correct.

The books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary are neatly and accurately kept and testify to the efficiency of these Grand Lodge officials and their subordinates.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Balance from last year.....	\$ 1,050 18
Total Revenue to May 31st, 1915.....	47,233 07
Debentures matured during the year.....	1,168 44
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Total.....	\$49,451 69
General Expenses.....	\$25,304 57
Benevolent Grants.....	29,600 00
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Excess of Expenditure over Revenue.....	\$54,904 57
	5,452 88

The funds of Grand Lodge amounting to \$107,871.51, and the Semi-Centennial Fund amounting to \$102,738.44, are invested in securities as per lists in the Grand Treasurer's report.

Your Committee has had placed before it the bond of the Grand Secretary in the United States Fidelity and Guarantee Co. for the sum of \$5,000, which is in the keeping of the Grand Treasurer. Your Committee recommends that the Grand Master renew the said bond on its maturity, and that the premium be paid by Grand Lodge.

The large deficit shown in the above statement, due to some extent to the extraordinary expenses of the past year, demands a word of caution. The deficit is larger than it would have been under ordinary conditions. The capital account has been reduced during the year by \$1,168.44, the amount of debentures which matured, and has been employed for the general expenditure of Grand Lodge. Taking into consideration the balance on hand from the previous year, the actual expenses this year exceed the receipts by \$7,671.32.

Your Committee recommends that during the ensuing year the expenses of Grand Lodge be curtailed in every department to the utmost possible extent.

Your Committee records with pleasure that the sum of \$45,595.81 has been collected from the lodges for the Belgian Relief Fund, of which \$40,000 has already been forwarded to His Majesty the King of the Belgians.

ESTIMATE OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MAY, 1916.

RECEIPTS.

Fees—Registration of Initiations.....	\$11,250 00
Fees—Registration of Affiliations.....	400 00
Dues.....	28,000 00
Certificates.....	100 00
Constitutions and Ceremonies.....	900 00
Dispensations.....	550 00
Commutation of Dues.....	900 00
Warrants.....	100 00
Miscellaneous.....	900 00
Interest on Investments.....	5,100 00
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	\$48,200 00
Interest on Semi-Centennial Fund.....	4,900 00
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	<u>\$53,100 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Grand Treasurer.....	\$ 200 00
Salary of Grand Secretary.....	3,000 00
Salary of Auditor.....	300 00
Salary of Clerk.....	1,100 00
Salary of Stenographer.....	1,000 00
Salary of Clerk.....	720 00
Salary of Clerk.....	660 00
Superannuation Allowance to former Clerk.....	800 00
Printing and Stationery.....	2,700 00
Incidental Expenses Grand Secretary's office.....	800 00
Certificates and Warrants.....	1,000 00
Insurance.....	95 00
Safety Deposit Box Rental.....	40 00
Office Rent and Heating.....	1,000 00
(Subject to approval of Special Committee.)	
Telephone Service.....	65 00
Postage on Proceedings.....	220 00
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes at Hamilton.....	1,800 00
Expenses of Commissions and Delegations.....	50 00
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1,000 00
Allowance for Expenses of Grand Master.....	600 00
Stenographer for Grand Master.....	100 00
Postage of D.G.M. and Chairman of Committees.....	20 00
Chairman of Foreign Correspondence.....	250 00
Masonic Relief Association.....	270 00

Miscellaneous.....	200 00
Grants for Benevolence.....	31,000 00
Total Expenditure on General Account.....	\$48,990 00
Grants from Semi-Centennial Fund.....	4,000 00
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	\$52,990 00

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. S. MAY,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R.W. Bro. George S. May, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be received.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE

The R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R.W. Bro. J. A. Macfadden, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Benevolence, begs leave to report as follows:

In the interim since the last annual communication of Grand Lodge the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence has, with the approval of the M. W. the Grand Master and the President of the Board of General Purposes, made grants to applicants amounting to the sum of \$1,830.00, the sum of \$1,005.00 from the general fund and \$825.00 from the surplus interest of the semi-centennial fund. Additional grants have been made from the interest of the investment of the semi-centennial fund amounting to the sum of \$770.

The Board desires to draw the attention of the officers of the lodges to clause one of the rules respecting grants for benevolence which among other things says: Grand Lodge grants to a brother or to relatives of a deceased brother are to be considered as supplementary aid to that given by the lodge or local Board of Relief recommending the application, and it shall be imperative to have given such aid during the twelve months last preceding the date of such application, to record the same in the minute book and state the same in the application."

The Board recommends that, in cities or towns where there are two or more lodges, a local Board of Relief be formed as provided in clause two of the rules respecting

grants for benevolence. Experience has demonstrated that transient and local relief is administered more efficiently by a local Board of Relief than by private lodges where there are two or more lodges having concurrent jurisdiction.

The Board recommends that the subscription to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada be continued.

450 applications were received and disposed of as follows:

209 grants through Local Boards amounting to \$14,320
221 grants through lodges amounting to 17,290
20 applications have been refused.

Special grants authorized by Grand Lodge:

Mrs. T. D. Harington.....	\$300.00
Miss Mary Wilson.....	300.00
Miss M. H. Harris	75.00
	<hr/> \$ 675.00

Total amount of grants from the General Fund	\$32,285.00
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Total amount of interim grants, General Fund	1,005.00
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Interim grants from interest S. C. Fund	\$25.00
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Additional grant from interest S. C. Fund	770.00
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Grants recommended from interest S. C. Fund at this annual communication	4,030.00
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Total	<hr/> \$38,915.00
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The grants made by lodges during the year as shown by the reports of the D.D.G.Ms. \$19,000.00

The Board wishes to pay tribute to the patriotism of R. W. Bro. Guest, one of the members of the Committee on Benevolence, in volunteering for active service with the Canadian Field Hospital. R. W. Bro. Guest is at present actively engaged at the front. In testimony of their appreciation of the great sacrifice our R. W. Bro. made, the Committee on Benevolence tendered him a luncheon before his departure and made a small presentation to him. A safe and speedy return is our wish for our useful and distinguished brother.

In accordance with the provisions of rule 7 on Benevolence, cheques for grants made through the following lodges will be withheld until proper returns have been received by the Grand Secretary, showing the proper disposal of last year's grants, viz.:

Lodges Nos. 10, 56, 84, 85, 87, 91, 93, 127, 128, 171, 203, 215, 220, 221, 239, 242, 276, 290, 294, 295, 300, 304, 305, 311, 318, 344, 356, 358, 387, 391, 393, 411, 415, 433, 452, 459, 479, 498.

Your Board recommend that the report of the Inspector be printed as an appendix to this report.

Faternally submitted,

J. A. MACFADDEN,

Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. A. Macfadden, and

Resolved. That the report of the Board on Benevolence be received,

APPENDIX TO REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE.

Toronto, January 28th, 1915.

To M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson,

Grand Master Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:

I herewith present my report as Inspector of Benevolent grants for 1914.

There were 439 applications considered by the committee, 204 from local boards and 235 from private lodges. Of the 204 from local boards 161 were for widows, 32 for brethren, 6 for orphans, 2 for mothers, 2 for sisters and 1 for a wife whose husband is insane. Of the 235 from private lodges 158 were for widows, 63 for brethren, 11 for orphans, 1 for a mother and 3 for wives.

319 applications were made for widows of whom 280 received grants, 33 were rejected, 4 died and 2 got married. 95 applications were made for brethren, 76 received grants, 11 were rejected and 8 died. 17 applications were made for orphans, 15 received grants and 2 were rejected. 3 mothers, 2 sisters and 2 wives received grants. The application for 1 wife was rejected.

The applications include 119 who are over 70 years of age. 35 are between 70 and 74. 41 are between 75 and 79. 24 are between 80 and 84. 16 are between 85 and 89, and three are over 90, 1 of the three being over 100 years of age.

41 widows and 25 brethren received the largest grant the committee is authorized to make from the general fund, being what is known as extreme cases. In most of these the grant from Grand Lodge is all they have to depend on. In many of the extreme cases where the circumstances were particularly distressing the Committee has been enabled to make an additional grant from the semi-centennial fund which has been very much appreciated by those who received it and has done a great deal of good.

This year the committee ordered a general investigation to be made and a report in detail to be prepared upon every application. A report in detail has been filed in the office of the Grand Secretary.

In conclusion I again desire to express my appreciation of the kindness and courtesy of the brethren who, whenever called upon, have done all in their power to enable me to discharge my duties as satisfactorily as possible.

Yours fraternally,

J. B. NIXON,

Inspector of Benevolent Grants.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

The R.W. the Deputy Grand Master presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. Wardrope, Chairman of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, begs leave to report as follows:

1. Unity Lodge No. 376, Huntsville, vs. Bro. A. A. Cooper. Bro. Cooper, who was found guilty of unmasonic conduct, involving charges of moral turpitude, was directed to appear at this meeting of Grand Lodge to show cause why he should not be expelled from the craft for this offence. He has not so appeared either personally or by representative, although personally summoned to do so, and your committee therefore recommend that he be expelled from the craft for said offence.

2. Nipissing Lodge No. 420, vs. Bro. Henry J. Herbert. Bro. Herbert was charged with and found guilty of unmasonic conduct on account of (1) desertion of wife and family; (2) living openly with a woman not his wife. Your committee at the last annual communication, owing to irregularities in the trial, recommended that a new trial be held by a Commission to be appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master.

As no further evidence is before us your Committee would recommend that Grand Lodge take no further action till the report of a commission be received by Grand Lodge.

3. Norwood Lodge No. 223, Norwood, vs. Bro. Thomas Ridyard. Bro. Ridyard, who was accused of and pleaded guilty to the charge of bigamy, was summoned by registered letter addressed to his last known place of residence to appear at this annual communication of Grand lodge to show cause why he should not be expelled from

the craft for said offence. He has not so appeared, either personally or by representative, and your Committee therefore recommend that he be expelled from the craft.

4. St. Mark's Lodge No. 105, Niagara Falls, vs. Bro. Franklyn George Woolnough. Bro. Woolnough was charged in the civil courts with obtaining money under false pretenses, was tried, found guilty and sentenced to three months in jail.

A charge of a similar nature was laid against him in St. Mark's Lodge, upon which he was tried by the lodge, found guilty, indefinitely suspended, and recommended to Grand Lodge for expulsion.

Your Committee find that the said charges against Bro. Franklyn George Woolnough have been regularly laid, both in the civil court and by St. Mark's Lodge and properly proved and that he has been summoned by registered letter addressed to his last known place of residence to appear at this annual communication of Grand Lodge to show cause why he should not be expelled from the craft for said offence. He has not so appeared, either personally or by representative, and your Committee therefore recommend that he be expelled from the craft.

5. Myrtle Lodge No. 337, Port Robinson, vs. Bro. James H. Williams. Bro. Williams was charged with having made improper statements and misconducting himself in a public house on January 24th, 1914. He was tried by the lodge, indefinitely suspended and recommended to Grand Lodge for expulsion, against which action he has appealed to Grand Lodge.

Your Committee find that Bro. James H. Williams was guilty of indiscreet statements and conduct unbecoming a Mason, but believing that indefinite suspension by his lodge was ample punishment for his offence your Committee would now recommend him to the charitable consideration of the brethren of his lodge and ask the brethren of Myrtle Lodge to remove the suspension of Bro. James H. Williams.

6. York Lodge No. 156, Toronto, vs. Bro. James H. Dennison. Bro. Dennison was charged in the civil courts and found guilty of embezzlement from his employers, the Massey-Harris Co., and was sentenced to a term in the Kingston Penitentiary.

A charge of a similar nature was laid against him in York Lodge No. 156, upon which he was tried, found guilty, suspended and recommended to Grand Lodge for as favorable consideration as possible under the circumstances.

Your Committee find that the said charges have been regularly laid and properly proved both in the civil court and by York Lodge No. 156, Toronto. Your Committee therefore recommend that Bro. James H. Dennison be

summoned to appear at the next annual communication of Grand Lodge to show cause why he should not be expelled from the craft for unmasonic conduct..

7. St. John's Lodge No. 81, Mt. Brydges, vs. Bro. Thos. C. West. The M.W. the Grand Master appointed M.W. Bro. John E. Harding to conduct an investigation into the affairs of St. John's Lodge No. 81, Mt. Brydges. As a result of the investigation the M.W. the Grand Master suspended Bro. Thomas C. West, Secretary of the lodge from his office as Secretary and from membership in St. John's Lodge and from all Masonic rights and privileges, pending a charge that the M.W. the Grand Master directed the Grand Secretary to instruct the Junior Warden of St. John's Lodge to lay against Bro. Thomas C. West. The M.W. the Grand Master afterwards held an informal conference with the W. M., the officers and members of said lodge as a result of which conference the suspension resting against Bro. West was raised by the M.W. the Grand Master, pending the confirmation of same by Grand Lodge.

Your Committee recommend that the action of the M. W. the Grand Master be concurred in and that Bro. Thomas C. West be restored to all his Masonic rights and privileges.

8. Doric Lodge No. 316, Toronto, vs. Bro. Jos. H. Anderson. Bro. Anderson was charged in the civil courts with an attempt to procure an abortion, was found guilty and sentenced to six months in the Ontario Reformatory.

He was tried upon a similar charge in Doric Lodge and found not guilty.

An appeal against the decision of the lodge was entered by R. W. Bro. Bilger, and, by direction of the M.W. the Grand Master, Doric Lodge was instructed to hold a new trial.

Your Committee without going into the merits of the case find irregularities of the trial of Bro. Jos. H. Anderson that cause them to concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master that Doric Lodge No. 316 be instructed to hold a new trial.

9. Grand River Lodge vs. Bro. Wm. M. Cram. Bro. Cram was charged with desertion of wife and consorting with another woman.

He was tried by his lodge, found guilty, indefinitely suspended and recommended to Grand Lodge for expulsion.

Your Committee find that on April 16th, 1915, the Grand Secretary wrote to Bro. J. F. Carmichael, Secretary of Grand River Lodge No. 151, for all the papers in connection with this case but that as the papers have been mislaid and cannot be found and your Committee therefore being without evidence of any kind on which to take action would recommend that this case stand over until the next annual communication of Grand Lodge.

10. Temple Lodge No. 324, vs. Bro. A. B. Mackay. Bro. Mackay was charged with unmasonic conduct, involving moral turpitude, was tried by his lodge, found guilty, and indefinitely suspended. Bro. Mackay has appealed to the Grand Lodge against the decision of Temple Lodge.

Your Committee find that Bro. A. B. Mackay has been guilty of unmasonic conduct involving moral turpitude and would therefore recommend that he be summoned to show cause at the next annual communication of Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled from the craft for said offence.

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. WARDROPE,

Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

The R. W. the Deputy Grand Master presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry.

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, begs to report that the Representatives of the Grand Master in all the twenty-three Districts of this Jurisdiction have performed their labor of love assiduously, zealously, discreetly and fruitfully.

Business as usual, but Brotherhood a little better than usual, appears to have been the note sounded all through the Province, and in their good work they received, and all acknowledge especially the loyal co-operation of their predecessors in office, of the Past Masters whose influence and strength in associations and as individuals is incalculable, and the present ruling officers of the lodges—those nerve centres of activity, that have always done so much for the leavening up of public opinion and the unity of the community. To some the relatively peaceful environment and atmosphere of the Masonic lodge has, in this year of storm and stress, been welcome and restful, but to many too, the loyal and royal Craft has occupied a new significance, and achieved a new and important result, for Masonry is sentiment in action, and there has been during these last tragic but glorious months but one duty and one sentiment which has found expression

with no uncertain sound, and with no indefinite attainment through this Ancient Craft—which has nothing of old age about it except its dignity and experience. Old men dream dreams, young men see visions—but there are now no old men among us for every pulse and fibre has been quickened and vivified, and the fires of youth have been re-lighted at the altars, and dreams and visions—even the visions splendid have been translated into activities, into contributions, into service. And the call is still for more and more. We must see it through, and we must not merely do our bit, but be radiating centres of patriotic enthusiasm, influencing and animating, and stirring into action those who have not had our privileges of association, of fellowship and comradeship, or who, perhaps, may not realize how the stern conflict in which we are engaged has come home to our altars and fire-sides as in days of old.

This Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Canada will be unique in the Annals of Masonry—not merely in the spirit manifested—the work to be done—but also in the conspicuous absence of many faithful Soldiers of the King (“serving Brethren” in the true sense) on duty at the front (gloriously referred to in all the reports of all the Districts)—men who have learned in the daily comradeship of life and death—

“To count the life of battle good,

And dear the land that gave them birth,

But dearer still the brotherhood

That binds the brave of all the earth.”

The call is clear—the Craftsmen have heard it—now we must pass on the signal—the flag, the symbol of the triune cross, and kindle the beacon fires. We cannot all be men behind the guns. We must all be men behind the flag! To only a few of us, relatively, will be applicable the epitaph of the Coldstreams, “Brothers in arms, brothers in glory, brothers in death!”, but we who are left must be brothers in life—the life of the Empire, and must realize, and make others realize that there is now, as there was in the olden days, but one ultimate bulwark against the lust of conquest and unjustifiable aggression aimed at our native land and our long-fought-for freedom, and that is a **rampart of indomitable men**. This is the spirit of the builders—slow to enter into quarrel, but being in “bear it that thy opponents may beware of thee.” We proceed not in it lightly, nor recede dishonorably. Last year’s report emphasized the beauties of peace. This year’s report does not recede from that high ideal. Peace—but peace for our children’s children—peace with honour, when victory crowns peace and peace crowns victory.

Of old it was written in that Delta on the Nile, where the Grand Master of Alexandria, tradition says, held sway, “Accursed be he who holds not the ashes of his fathers sacred and remembers not what is due from the living to the dead.” We Masons not merely remember but wield the sword of our fathers—which will not be sheathed till our common task is done—but we have also the password of our fathers—

"Lord, while for all mankind we pray
Of very clime and coast
Oh, hear us for our native land,
The land we love the most.

Our fathers' sepulchres are here,
And here our kindred dwell
Our children too, how should we love
Another land so well."

And there is another old writing on the wall, with a similar anathema and a similar implied promise, and to us Masons it particularly appeals here and now—for though we are ancients of the days, we are in the morning of the times—and that is, "Accursed be he who removeth his neighbor's landmarks." That alone would justify the appeal so splendidly responded to on behalf of the martyred fields and desolate homes of Belgium, the spirit of whose King—Albert—every inch of him a man—is best indicated in his fine reply to the sneering, taunting question of the War Lord and Bully of Europe. "So you see you have lost everything!" "Nay, not so, **not my Soul!**" Let us remember that the British Nation, the Canadian people, the Masonic Craft—a living organism and a fair interpreter, we hope, of what is best in citizenship—has its landmarks and has a **soul**—and we must not, will not lose it, but our salvation must be thought out, wrought out, fought out, as of old.

"Then let memory tell thy heart
Britain, what thou wert, thou art,
Gird thee in thine ancient might,
Forth! and God defend the right!"

Away from the far flung battle line, and with startling suddenness, British Masonry the world over has this year lost a great intellectual pillar in the death of Robert Freke Gould—Soldier—Barrister—Historian—Mason, whose craft works are classics. And Canadian Masonry in particular has lost a great asset by the death of M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, C.M.G., full of years and honours, who also began life as a soldier in the 8th Royal Regiment, and was Crown Forester, Administrator, a faithful and efficient public servant, and was "companion, guide and own familiar friend" to many a brother. Young and old will miss him for the first time for many years from Grand Lodge.

Others, too, have passed on their pilgrimage, whom we will see no more, whose names and virtues will be recorded in the Report on the Fraternal Dead, all of whom were earnest in their devotion to the brotherhood.

"By day and night, under the sun and under the stars, journeying by sea, journeying by land, climbing the toilsome hills, trudging the dusty valleys, coming and going, so strangely to meet, and to act and react on one another, move all we restless travellers through the pilgrimage of life."

This Grand Lodge will gladly record its heartfelt appreciation of all those hospitable Lodges who, with such thoughtful kindness, have entertained our representative brethren on Overseas Service on every possible occasion, and especially **Canada Lodge** whose officers and past officers have made it part of their mission and ministry of Masonry to keep in constant touch with our officers and men—and to be lines of communication between them and home, as well as having been instrumental in the establishment of the Queen's Canadian Military Hospital, which first nursed our Canadian wounded. In order that the Brethren may grip the fact of how largely we are represented in the Canadian Expeditionary Force, the citation of one instance will suffice. In the 39th Battalion now at Shorncliffe, no less than 28 of the officers are Master Masons, and the three Senior Officers are R. W. Bro. Col. J. A. V. Preston in command, V. W. Bro. Col. Smart, and W. Bro. Major Byewater. This is only typical of many Regiments. To them and to their gallant men it is the **glory of service**, but Masons, who in the third degree are taught to honor womanhood, will never forget that to mothers, wives, sisters, daughters and sweethearts it is the **sacrifice of service**. And how many daughters of Masons are serving under the Red Cross Badge of the Knightly members of the Order—nursing sisters and nursing saviours.

"A Lady with a lamp shall stand
In the great history of the land.
A noble type of good
Heroic womanhood."

The condition of Masonry is sound in its constant recognition of this factor, our nearest and dearest.

Meeting in the good City of Hamilton, the matrix of Grand Lodge which has been associated for so many years with the Executive Officers of the Grand Secretary, and with progressive Masonry, it may not be inappropriate that we briefly tabulate our material resources, our reservoir of strength—23 districts, 446 Lodges, 59,748 Masons in good standing.

Investments including Semi-Centennial Fund (which should be constantly increased as new members join)	\$210,609.95
Contributions to Benevolence this year . . .	\$ 58,590.00
Contributions to Belgian Fund	\$ 42,236.96
Brethren on active service	

Many Lodges—one craft;—veins millions—heart one.

Do we quite realize how strong we are? Surely apart from obligatory honour we have no need to solicit. What a force, if rightly exercised, in moulding public sentiment! But also, what a responsibility! We are trustees for more than the Craft and the present. We have received the heritage. We create and transmit the inheritance. We must "sow the seed that may good craftsmen breed."

"Carry the word to our sisters,
 The Queens of the East and the South.
 We have kept faith with the heritage
 By more than the word of the mouth."

Yet the word to us as Masons is full of import. "By the English word, I swear it," is the Arab oath. There is nothing so royal as truth—nothing so satisfying as duty done—from Master to initiate. His Majesty King George V. (whom God preserve) sends this Message to us, "The British Empire requires at the present time hard service from all her sons—the hardest from those to whom most has been given." More than ever before, the Throne is shrined in the Country's heart, and we are one through the Throne, and especially we whose motto is "Fear God, Love the Brotherhood, Honor the King." To him this Grand Lodge here and now again pledges loyal allegiance and the fealty of a chivalrous service.

The Chaplains of Lodges have come into their own. Their office is now no sinecure. The Church Militant is indeed on service among us. God and Heaven are vital realities. We hear no more of the Lodge being the Masons' Church, and our sincerity is no longer discredited because of alleged religious indifference. Such an accusation was never justified. The volume of the sacred law with its stirring appeals to the Lord of Hosts, and the God of Battles, with its call to the faith and works, the loyalty and fortitude of the Chosen People of all time, has in this crisis of the Empire, which tries men's souls, assumed a new and more inspiring significance to us. How often before that eventful February baptism of fire in the Canadians' trenches, had ascended to the throne of the Great Architect of Destiny—the Grand Master of Life—the invocation of the poet laureate of the Craft,—

"Ere yet we loose the legions,
 Ere yet we draw the blade,
 Jehovah of the Thunders,
 Lord God of Battles, aid!"

Men and munitions, patriotism and production needed! Could such co-operation be better exemplified than by Nehemiah in the verses of the 4th chapter: 15, 16, 17, 18, 21.

"And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and God had brought their counsel to nought, that we returned all of us to the wall, every one unto his work.

And it came to pass from that time forth, that the half of my servants wrought in the work, and the other half of them held both the spears, the shields and the bows, and the habergeons; and the rulers were behind all the house of Judah.

They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with those that laded, everyone with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon.

For the builders, every one had his sword girded by his side, and so builded. And he that sounded the trumpet was by me.

So we laboured in the work; and half of them held the spears from the rising of the morning until the stars appeared."

So builded we the wall, and all the wall was joined together, for the people had a mind to work.

So build we and maintain and hold this Empire for Canada, and this Canada for the Empire, for we Masons have the mind and the will to work.

Masonry has no secret virtue, no monopoly of right. She knows no excellence that she would not have all men know and practice—That would be inconsistent with the lofty ethical standards of our brotherhood. Yet there is a standard of Masonic life—a straight line held plumb, undeviating and without shadow of turning, within the household of the faithful. There must be that perfect trust and confidence which was the ideal of our forefathers, and which must be ours if the temple is to remain in its beauty when the scaffolding is removed. Yes, if we read the reports and feel the pulse aright in this year of years, when we are drawn together as never before, the condition of Masonry in the main, is sound. Let us keep it so—held by the cords of a man, the bonds of love—yet freemen, not bondsmen—

"All that our fathers wrought
With true prophetic thought
Must be defended."

He is the freeman and the free Mason whom the truth makes free.

Having regard to the added responsibilities of the coming years, and to the great numerical increase in the strength of the Craft—the new adolescent lodges and the new untried, but eager men, it may not be amiss to recall in part, with some modifications, what years ago this Board recorded as some of the ideas and ideals that should be identified with the District Deputy Grand Masters, and the Worshipful Masters of the private lodges, the supreme importance of whose selection is more and more realized by all—More than letter-perfect exemplification of ritual, more than even fidelity to obligation is required, more than simple performance of duty in other offices as stepping stones. In this, as throughout Masonry generally, we may pile Block on Block, Ashlar on Ashlar, it avails naught unless cemented and adorned with the kindling power of transmitting that light which "never yet on land or sea," the power of enlisting the co-operation of workmen from the quarries with materials for the temple, of reconciling the varieties and mosaics of humanity we meet even within the gates, of moulding in true

Masonic matrix the plastic personalities under their direction, and of walking in the right as God gives them to see the light; nerve centres of energy, for there is nothing so contagious as enthusiasm, neither laggard nor lax, nor suffering laxity or flagging interest while they wield the gavel; living up to the imperial maxim, 'Be just, rule well, hold strong.' Semaphores and sentinels on the lines of communication; courteous, calm and dignified in the consciousness of strength, zealous and public-spirited, fruitful and faithful. Surely we do not set too high an ideal for the leaders of Thought and Action in a Brotherhood where all the virtues and all the graces of true nobility have been exemplified by good men and true—who have appreciated the beauties and faithfully followed the teachings of the Craft in a long line of loyal men whose memories will never die.—"Tall men, sun-crowned, who stand above the fog, in public duty, and in private thinking."

One suggestion among many in the excellent report of a District Deputy is the following:—"My experience has led me to think that much of the time now taken up in the reiteration of ritual might well be spent in the study of Masonic History, Symbolism and Philosophy"—and in this connection it is interesting to note that that most progressive of Grand Lodges—the Grand Lodge of Iowa—has formed a special Committee on Masonic Research, whose aims are to promote, foster and encourage research and study in the field of Masonic tradition, literature, law and philosophy by the Lodges and their members, in order to bring about among the Craft a better understanding and appreciation of Masonic Symbolism, and to encourage and incite the Lodges and their members by the formation of Study Clubs, and by the reading and study of Masonic literature, to greater enthusiasm along the lines of Masonic research and study. The work of this Committee, during the year in which they have been exercising their educational and stimulating functions, has been most satisfactory in results, and the various districts of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario could not do better than organize along similar lines, and obtain copies of their literature.

The Masonic Press has more and more, during the past year, contributed to the spread of enlightened knowledge, and to the keeping in touch of this great fraternity, who now realize that they are not members only of isolated lodges in sequestered vales, but are free of the Craft the world over, and move and act in linked battalions. Every Mason should subscribe to a good Masonic paper.

The following thoughtful remarks and suggestions from a District Deputy at one of the great centres are well worthy of embodying in these Grand Lodge proceedings, and are submitted for consideration—not necessarily for endorsement or approval—but as illustrating originality and independence of mind in approaching problems that have no doubt presented themselves in the experience of many rulers in the Craft. He says:—

"Lodge work provides plenty of opportunity for careful initiative and for thoughtful planning. I have done my best to discourage the idea that dull, dead uniformity is desirable, and while instructing the officers in what is being taught by Grand Lodge as the correct form, I have tried to impress them with the idea that in minor points or floor movements it may do no harm to retain some distinctive form or feature of the work which may be somewhat unique in character, but which may have the sanction of well-informed and experienced brethren. I can understand that this doctrine is a dangerous one if it opens the way for innovations, but within well-regulated limits, and when it does not affect essentials, I think it is productive of good rather than of harm.

He adds: "In general, there is need for more practice among officers in the floor work and in the ceremonies of the Lodge. The Master should hold occasional rehearsals in which the officers are encouraged to offer suggestions as to the general improvement of the work. In this way, crudity of presentation, awkwardness of movement, lack of confidence, errors in pronunciation, and various other defects that often mar the beauty and spoil the effect of the ceremony would be largely eliminated.

"Many Past Masters are given nothing to do after leaving the chair, and they soon drop out or attend only at irregular intervals. In many cases their interest can be retained by a judicious distribution of work.

"Too much degree or ritualistic work makes it difficult to retain the interest of the general membership. There should not be more than one degree presented at any meeting whether regular or emergent.

"This problem of decreasing the continuous grind which allows so little time for the other activities of Masonry, and which defeats the very objects that are aimed at in a dignified and impressive rendering of the work, is one not easy of solution. At present it is not an unusual occurrence for some of the lodges to confer so many degrees in one evening that the audience is reduced to barely more than the officers and a few new members who wish to get posted. The most popular suggestion in the way of a remedy seems to be an increase in the fees. I do not think this is a satisfactory solution. It may be that Masonry is a luxury, but it is one whose cost should not place it out of the reach of many properly qualified young men who are forming their plans for life."

His last suggestion will be received with some doubt.

"The other remedy most frequently suggested is the power of conferring a degree on several candidates taken together. Of course this authority is not now granted to Lodges and the rules of the Grand Lodge in this matter are

carefully observed, but I know of no reason why some modification of the rule should not be made for the sake of an improvement in existing conditions. Better to have a grouping of candidates than an array of empty side benches, and a tired set of officers, whose chief duty frequently seems to be not so much to impress the candidate as to get through the list before midnight."

One of the District reports is deliciously personal. Take, for example, the concluding account of the D. D. G. M.'s visit to one of his Lodges, as reported to this august body of Grand Lodge—"You might imagine," he says, "from that that they are a bad bunch in 'E' Lodge, but let me tell you right here now that you will have to travel 'some' to find any better fellows, and if they get the notion seriously there are few can surpass them in work. They've got the notion to work a little harder this Fall."

That is the human touch, and there are others; for example, describing one of his visits in June, he takes us into his confidence in this way. "What is more enjoyable than a ride through the country at this time in June? The delicate tints of flowers, the various greens of fields, the graceful shades and shapes of woods, make us wonder whether we would rather live eternally in June or gaze on the jewelled gates and golden stairs of the pictured hereafter for all good Masons."

And again, apropos of the saving grace of humour, he reports regarding a certain lodge, much to be envied, as follows: "They have a number of experts among their number. Be that as it may, I never met a body of men who enjoyed good wholesome humour better. The man who does not know Masonry from A to Z had better not attempt to throw any stones at 'W' Lodge. They are alive, and talk about feasts! I will advise you to take some tablets to aid digestion. No worry about Lodge 'W.'" We prophesy for his successor a good time coming. It will be hard to live up to such buoyant and poetical optimism, which, after all, strikes the old note of the merry, merry Masons.

Other ideas brought out in other reports are worth quoting. A District Deputy says: "I have observed with pride and gratification the efforts which the majority of officers throughout the district are putting forth to excel in the skillful use of the working tools of their office to increase Masonic influence and efficiency, and preserve the ancient landmarks inviolate."

Again, with reference to the institution of three new lodges, U. D. in his district: "It is in economic coincidence worth noting that of these three lodges two should represent two of the most important natural industries of Ontario, namely pulp and paper, and gold mining, while the third combines agriculture with the great business of transportation."

Again, "The brethren are looking forward to the erection of a Masonic Temple. A feature of this Lodge is its 'Occasional Attenders' night, which might be worthy of emulation by other Lodges."

Of another Lodge he reports: "A branch of the Red Cross has been formed among the members, and they meet in the Banquet Room three nights each week for the purpose of rolling bandages and other useful work." A right good example of a real red-letter night!

His summary of general information is a model for other Districts to follow in the future, and he adds in winding up his report the following striking fact, which annihilates time and distance: "In the performance of my official duties I have travelled 4,000 miles, and spent thirty-four full days in travelling and visiting the various Lodges. These figures may have an important bearing on the question of a division of the District."

Another District Deputy reports as follows: "It has been my practice to pay more attention to the spirit of Masonry than to the technical side, although neither must be lost sight of, and I have endeavored to impress on the lodges that the mere working of the various degrees is not all which should be expected of a Mason; that Masonry is not religion; that Masonry and the Church work hand in hand for the betterment of mankind; that Masonry is not an end, but a means towards an end; that our example should be exemplary; that character should not be forgotten, and that the influence which Masonry is in the position to effect powerfully should always be on the side of uprightness."

At the Lodge of Instruction I asked the brethren to raise Funds to present an ambulance to the Red Cross Society, and sufficient Funds have been obtained for the purchase of two motor ambulances which the brethren hope to present to Grand Lodge on the 21st of July."

Some interesting matters are referred to in this and other reports, such as—

1. The practice of obligating a candidate in the three degrees on the same Bible, and presenting this Bible suitably inscribed to the candidate.
2. The printing of pieces of lodge news or items of interest in the summons to keep the touch.
3. The appointment of an archivist to take charge of important documents and relics, and keep records of them.

Your Board again express the hope that a library and museum may be established in connection with Grand Lodge, similar to that of the Grand Lodge of England, for education and instruction of the brethren, and to preserve the treasures of the past.

4. Flags are displayed in many lodges, and after the lights are closed "God Save the King" is sung.

Your Board suggest that it should not be necessary to treat the National Anthem as an adjunct, but rather as a factor in the proceedings.

5. When candidates receive their entered apprentice degree the W. M. comes down to the front of the dais, and turning him around, introduces him to the Brethren, and commends him to their fellowship.

6. Establishment of Club Rooms and Reading Rooms for daily intercourse and recreation in connection with Masonic Temples is advocated.

7. The betrayal of the names of proposed candidates by thoughtless brethren is strongly and rightly condemned.

8. The example of Brant Lodge, which puts 1-10 of all moneys received in a separate benevolent fund, is commended to the brethren. Their financial condition is excellent.

9. The varying of the order of procedure by an elaborate set of questions and answers explanatory of many principles and ceremonies of Freemasonry along the old catechetical lines of the British Masons, in which all members take part, is commended.

10. The presentation of parchment certificates printed in English, French and German, to the members who have enlisted, carefully guarded against loss, appears to have been almost universal, and is sure in emergency or distress to be an advantage.

11. Explanatory lectures and elaborations of the Warden's lectures have been given in some Lodges. They are well worthy of philosophical analysis.

12. Elaborate banquets have largely been cut out during the year, and the expense contributed to patriotic purposes.

13. Fires still occur in many of the districts, with the relentless law of average and yet your Board regret to note that there are at least 16 lodges without insurance.

14. The District Deputy of No. 17, Algoma, comes second in mileage to that of Nipissing, having travelled over 2,500 miles to make his visits to the different lodges, in addition to the performance of his military duties; and his Deputy, appointed by the Grand Master, in addition travelled 1,000 miles, and spent a whole week in completing his unifying labors.

15. The District Deputy of another district speaks emphatically of not merely impressing the candidate by the rendition of the work, but also by instilling the same spirit

into the other brethren present, the result being a deep interest in the work, and the best of harmony and of attendance prevailing.

16. The prompt opening of the lodge work, and the allowing of no vacant gaps during the evening have been over and over again commended to the attention of Masters of lodges. Nothing is so injurious as dilatory tardiness, and nothing so wearisome as empty minutes.

17. In another district each visit has been made as much as possible a Lodge of Instruction, both through the nature of the proceedings, and through the encouragement of visitations, and the interchange of work; the charitable features have been emphasized, and the importance of the lecture side of the work has been urged, Masons being called upon to live up to certain principles and to make daily advancement in Masonic knowledge, which can best be done by skilled Brethren delivering addresses on subjects of interest at frequent intervals.

18. The confusion in names by duplicating and tripling titles of lodges, that have long enjoyed the goodwill and birthright, if not copyright, of their distinguishing names, is still noticeable, and it is pleasant to note in one report that "Malone" Lodge has been consecrated, and is named after that faithful and experienced veteran of Grand Lodge, the Grand Treasurer. Let us commend this practice, and let the names of other distinguished brethren be immortalized.

19. The proposed sub-division of Erie District, of Toronto West, and of Nipissing District are referred to in their respective reports.

20. A District Deputy speaks of having completed a year the most strenuous of his life, and which would have been the happiest but for the thick cloud of national depression, and the restraint necessarily felt, but we are glad to note that he quotes with optimism:

"Our hope is a sun will pierce
The thickest cloud earth ever stretched."
So say we all! So mote it be!

21. Another District Deputy emphasizes the importance of the charges on the rendition of which he always insists, and also the fact that efficiency is necessary to impressiveness.

22. One district, like some others, has substituted fraternal visiting by lodges, and the mutual exemplification and exchange of work, for Lodges of Instruction held at one centre, and appears to find the result satisfactory in bringing up the standard of Masonry.

23. Another District Deputy placed before his lodges a high ideal of bringing out the full beauty and solemnity of the ceremonies, and securing good attendance through good work. He saw that the Grand Lodge report was read, and that the Constitution was studied, and impressed upon them the fact that Masonry, having its origin in the wants and necessities of man, consists, not merely in forms and ceremonies, and that success built on anything else than human welfare is not worthy of accomplishment.

24. The fact that R. W. Bro. D. M. Sutherland has been at the front gave R. W. Bro. McQueen the opportunity of serving again in his district, which, with this Grand Lodge, is now glad to welcome back Bro. Sutherland wounded and scarred, but with the red badge of courage.

The wounded are the glorious creditors of the nation, and our wounded are of our Craft. And here looms on the horizon a new Masonic problem to be dealt with in the near future—

25. In several districts rolls of honor of those serving King and Country at the front are kept by the lodges, and published with each summons, and we recommend that all Masonic rallying points follow this excellent example of a Masonic Muster Roll, and that the addresses of the absent be given so that the brethren at home may remember them by letters and little personal gifts, which are most valued by those at the front.

Enough has been quoted to show that the reports of the District Deputies reflect, and sometimes lead the spirit of the lodges, keeps the whole jurisdiction in touch with the centre, co-ordinate the pulse and the heart-beats, record the progress and development, warn of weaknesses, and preserve from year to year the continuity of purpose and of action so essential to the vital welfare of this organization of hand-picked, head-selected, and heart-chosen men among men.

A perusal of all the excellent reports, which are commended to the attention of the brethren, will show too the shepherding provision, and the unstinted devotion of time, tact and force of character by the representatives of the Grand Master, who endeavor to put thinking into their knowledge, and to put feeling into their work.

“For well I know
That unto him who works and feels he works
The golden year is ever at the doors.”

They are the circulating medium of intercommunication, and hold the key that will unlock all portals. Indeed, all good Masons have the universal language and credentials of good report, and through intercourse ideas circulate, graces grow, horizons widen, furrows are less lonesome, and we become, not spinners of tops in our own play-

grounds, but spinners and weavers of the web and warp and woof of the cloth of gold, of our fraternity. Perhaps in the Builder is found the best answer to the old question, "When is a man a Mason?"

When is a man a Mason? When he knows that down in his heart every man is as noble, as vile, as divine, and as lonely as himself, and seeks to know, to forgive and to love his fellow man. When he knows how to sympathize with men in their sorrows, yea, even in their sins—knowing that each man fights a hard fight against many odds. When he has learned how to make friends and to keep them, and above all how to keep friends with himself. When he knows how to pray, how to love, how to hope. When he has kept faith with himself, with his fellow man, with his God; in his hand a sword for evil, in his heart a bit of a song—glad to live, but not afraid to die! Such a man has found the only real secret of Masonry, and the one which it is trying to give to all the world.

In great contrast to last year there are in this year's reports very few complaints about the Ballot Boxes, or the misuse of the ballot, but the Board regrets to note that the arrears of dues in the lodges have increased rather than diminished, and that still more than \$35,000 of unearned and unearning increment are standing upon the books—so much dead wood, and a blot on an otherwise clear escutcheon and splendid record. In this year of suspense it may be impossible to remedy the trouble, but it should receive the actual and actuarial attention of those responsible for the administration of the districts in the future.

The proposed Musical Ritual which has been rehearsed in Toronto is a matter of great interest to the Craft. Music is the universal solvent,—

"And here the singer for his art
Not all in vain may plead.
The song that nerves the nation's heart
Is in itself a deed."

We know what music means to our comrades in the trenches on land and in the trenches of the deep, and

When the strife is fierce, the battle long
Steals on their ear the distant triumph song.
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong."

These distant triumph songs to many of our absent brothers may be the songs they have heard and joined in from time to time in Mother Lodge.

Once more referring to last year's report, the words of the Duke of Connaught, Grand Master of England, there quoted, sound now prophetic,—“I have a firm hope,” he said, “in the high destiny of Canada, and in the manner in which

Canadians will fulfil that destiny." They are fulfilling. The keepers of the House have not trembled, nor have the strong men bowed themselves. New occasions have taught new duties—and the path of duty has proved the way to glory. When we contemplate the rapine, ravishing and rapacity, the carnival of crime, the debauch of atrocity and frightfulness, the desecration of the Temples of the living God, erected by Masonic builders, and worse still of the temple of humanity, we realize that we cannot stay our hand, or make any compromise with the earthly powers of evil—our enemies, until right is vindicated, inhuman wrongs expiated, and civilization and the future freedom of the race safeguarded for all time. Hatred we have none, but righteous wrath, which fills our faith with fire. And when the Great Day comes, and the great commemorative Memorial Temple is consecrated as proposed in London, as centre and citadel of liberty, as a trophy of triumph, whose spans and arches will be joined by the hands of comrades, then will be needed a Supreme Court of the World, presided over by the Empire that has borne the brunt of the fight for civilization and freedom, and an International Executive Power strong enough to enforce its equitable and peace-preserving decrees. The Mad dogs of Europe shall no more run amuck and rampant over peaceful homes, and children's corpses.

Whatever there may be in Countries without a National spirit, there is no room for neutrality—still less for indifference in Canada. Lukewarm friends add nothing to our strength. "I would that ye were either cold or hot," says the Power House on the Line, and evil be to him that would short circuit the electric current which unites us with the Land of Hope and Glory—Mother of the Free.

It is not merely all for each and each for all—but with Masons the best of each for all. The most we can do is the least we can do.

"The ageless forces do not cease

To mould us as of yore,

The chiselling of the arts of peace,

The anvil-strokes of war."

In this Centenary year of Waterloo—that great world's earthquake—which is dwarfed only in the tragedy of numbers, and is paralleled in the great issues involved, by the present stern conflict in which we are engaged—we are called upon to realize in bereaved homes, in empty chairs, the price we are paying in blood for our right to live as freemen, and the tribute that is being given of their own free will and accord by our Canadian men who come forward humbly soliciting to be allowed to serve and to protect the honor of near and dear ones. Many will fall, yes, but are not the fallen redeemed by the precious promise, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends"—in such a cause, "he that loseth his life shall save it;" and we can think of no better certificate and voucher of good standing than this, when presented at the portals to

the Great Grand Master—Surely the welcome will be, “Pass, friend, all’s well” to such a countersign. Yes, **we** are the transients. **They remain.**

“These were honoured in their generation and were the glory of their times. There be of them that have left a name behind them, that their praises might be reported; and some there be which have no memorial . . . Their bodies are buried in peace, but their honour liveth for evermore.”

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

They mingle not with their laughing comrades again;
They sit no more at familiar tables of home;
They have no lot in our labor of the daytime;
They sleep beyond England’s foam.
To the end, to the end they remain.

We will always—we brothers of the mystic tie—who, more than others, perhaps, know, or ought to know, what true comradeship means—we will always keep wide open the windows of the House of Memory.

And you, our brothers, who for all our praying,
To this dear Lodge of ours come back to more,
Who lie, our country’s debt of honour paying—
And not in vain—upon the Belgian shore;
Till that great day when at the Throne in heaven
The books are opened and the Judgment set,
Your lives for honour and for Britain given
The Lodge will not forget.

Our ranks may be thinned, but we will have by symbol and mystery the absent ones marching with us along the line of Masonic progress, for where the vanguard is to-day, the rear will rest to-morrow. And they will help us to lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes in this cohesive and expansive fraternity. Present with us in spirit as they were to the Boys of the Old Brigade in France and Flanders—a thousand strong.

A thousand strong
With laugh and song,
To charge the guns or line a trench,
We marched away
One August day,
And fought beside the gallant French.

A thousand strong,
But not for long;
Some lie entombed in Belgian clay;
Some torn by shell
Lie, where they fell,
Beneath the turf of La Bassee.

But yet at night,
 When to the fight
 Eager from camp and trench we throng,
 Our comrades dead
 March at our head,
 And still we charge a thousand strong!

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM N. PONTON,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

The Grand Secretary presented the following Notices of Motion, received by him within the time prescribed by the Constitution.

By M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, of Pembroke Lodge No. 128.

No. 1. That Section 170 of the Constitution be repealed and that the following be enacted in lieu thereof:—

170. No motion to rescind or reconsider a resolution adopted by a lodge shall be allowed, unless by notice of motion given for a rescission or reconsideration at the next regular meeting. Such notice of motion shall be placed upon the summons for the meeting at which the notice of motion is to come up for consideration.

No. 2. That Section 186 of the Constitution be repealed and that the following be enacted in lieu thereof:—

186. No lodge shall initiate a candidate whose residence is within the jurisdiction of another lodge, unless in a city or town where there are more lodges than one, in which case the lodges shall have concurrent jurisdiction; such jurisdiction shall be confined to such city by its municipal boundary, and upon which no other lodge outside of such boundary can encroach. As to all other lodges, the jurisdiction extends in every direction half way to the nearest lodge, or to said city municipal boundary, as the case may be.

No. 3. That Section 190 of the Constitution be repealed and that the following be enacted in lieu thereof:—

190. The petition upon being presented and received by a lodge becomes the property of the lodge, and cannot be withdrawn. It shall be immediately referred to a committee, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the character of the applicant, and any other matters relevant to the petition, and to report thereon to the lodge at its next regular meeting, held after the lapse of not less than four weeks.

By W. Bro. Joseph Whyte Rogers, St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16.

No. 4. That Section 199 of the Constitution be amended by the addition of the following:—

199 (a). In every Masonic district where there are more than twelve lodges having concurrent jurisdiction, there shall be established a central Masonic bureau to which all applications for initiation and for affiliation shall be reported.

199 (b). In each Masonic district in which a central Masonic bureau shall be established, the said bureau shall be composed of one representative from each of the lodges in the district having concurrent jurisdiction, who shall be elected by open vote at the annual election of the officers of the lodges.

199 (c). Annually, from among themselves, the representatives forming a central Masonic bureau shall elect a President, a Vice-President and a Secretary-Treasurer who, together with any others so elected, shall form an Executive Committee.

199 (d). Each central Masonic bureau shall have power to frame rules and regulations for the purpose of securing the orderly discharge of its duties, provided, however, that such rules and regulations are not incompatible with the Constitution of Grand Lodge.

199 (e). Each lodge shall subscribe annually for the maintenance of the bureau in its district, such sum as shall from time to time be determined by the representatives of the lodges forming the bureau.

199 (f). In every Masonic district in which a central Masonic bureau has been established, it shall be the duty of every lodge Secretary in such district, immediately upon the receipt of an application for membership, to forward the name of the applicant together with all necessary information to the Secretary of the bureau. The Secretary of the bureau shall keep a systematic record of all applications for membership made in his district, and should his records show that an applicant has been rejected by any lodge within twelve months prior to the date of the last application, he shall forthwith notify to this effect the Secretary of the lodge concerned.

199 (g). Immediately after the regular monthly meeting of his lodge, each Secretary shall notify the Secretary of the central Masonic bureau what disposition has been made of each and every application for membership, together with the list of members suspended for any cause whatsoever. The Secretary of the central Masonic bureau shall enter such information in his records, and shall send to the Secretary of every lodge in his district a monthly statement of all rejections and suspensions in his district.

And by adding after the word "jurisdiction" the phrase "except in those districts in which a central Masonic bureau has been established."

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS.

The R.W. the Deputy Grand Master presented the following report, which was read by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and Laws:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through their Committee on Constitution and Laws, begs to report as follows:

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. By M. W. Bro. Burritt. To repeal section 170 of the Constitution and to enact a new section in lieu thereof. There is no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge to be dealt with.

2. By M. W. Bro. Burritt to repeal section 186 and to enact a new section in lieu thereof. There is no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge to be dealt with.

3. By M. W. Bro. Burritt. To repeal section 190 and to enact a new section in lieu thereof. There is no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge to be dealt with.

4. By W. Bro. Joseph Whyte Rogers, of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, to amend section 199 by adding thereto subsections 199 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), and by adding after the word "jurisdiction" in clause 199 the following words: "except in those districts in which a Central Masonic Bureau has been established." There is no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge to be dealt with.

5. We have before us a letter to the Grand Secretary dated the 29th April, 1915, from R. W. Bro. W. J. Martin, D.D.G.M., of Georgian District No. 9, asking that the following motion be placed before the Board of General Purposes to be brought before Grand Lodge at its present meeting in order that it may be made a part of the Constitution, viz.: "That all Master Masons must prove their proficiency in the third degree, which must be recorded in the books of the Secretary of the Subordinate Lodge and that the Grand Secretary shall receive from the Secretary of subordinate lodges that the newly raised candidate has proved his proficiency by being examined in open lodge, before the Grand Secretary is required to issue a Grand Lodge certificate to such member."

Section 45 provides that the Constitution of Grand Lodge may be amended or altered, etc., provided that notice in writing stating distinctly the proposed amendment or alteration shall have been given at the preceding annual meeting, or shall have been sent to the Grand Secretary before the first day of March preceding the meeting at which the motion is to be considered, and published in the notice paper. This provision is for the purpose of acquainting the brethren in the jurisdiction of all proposed amendments to the

Constitution so that they may be prepared to vote intelligently thereupon when it is brought before Grand Lodge. The wisdom of this provision is indisputable and your Board cannot consent to this motion coming before Grand Lodge without such Statutory requirement having been observed.

We have a letter dated 20th March, 1915, from Bro. E. J. Scott, Secretary of Keystone Lodge No. 412, Sault Ste. Marie, that Keystone Lodge 412 and Algoma Lodge 469, Sault Ste. Marie, have made a joint Board of Relief, and have appointed a chairman and secretary and that the Worshipful Masters of the two lodges, whilst holding those chairs are a committee of the whole, and asking the sanction of Grand Lodge. Rule 2 respecting Benevolence (page 114) provides that it shall be competent for one or more lodges to form themselves into a local Board of Relief, and to frame a code of by-laws and elect a chairman and secretary-treasurer, and when the formation of such board and its by-laws have been approved by the Board of General Purposes, the same shall be considered a duly constituted Local Board of Relief under Grand Lodge.

Your Board has been informed that such Local Board has been formed, but that they have not enacted any by-laws, and that both of these requirements are conditions precedent before said local board can be legally constituted. Your Board cannot yet act, but in order that the said lodges shall not be delayed for one year in the proper formation of said board as a legally constituted local Board of Relief, your Board would recommend that the M.W. the Grand Master be empowered to confirm the by-laws of the said local Board of Relief in his discretion, and order that thereupon the said local Board of Relief shall be legally constituted. It being understood that representatives from craft lodges only be members of said board and that members of Royal Arch Chapters shall not be eligible.

Elk Lake Lodge No. 507. A candidate made an application for initiation into this lodge; he resided 30 miles from the lodge but within its jurisdiction. The application was received, reported on favorably, and the candidate presented himself for initiation and the Steward who prepared him in the ante-room returned and approached the East and told the Master that the candidate had an artificial left hand, held to the wrist and arm by leather straps and that there was a metal buckle at the wrist which he (the Steward) had removed.

The Master of the lodge, W. Bro. A. T. Skill, appeared before the committee and gave these facts and said that he had previously not known the candidate and that what the Steward had told him was the first time he heard of the physical defect. Being a comparatively young Mason, without experience, he consulted the only Past Master present and who was a Past Master of experience, and the Past Master drew his attention to a ruling of M. W. Bro. McPherson, Grand Master, in the proceedings of Grand Lodge for 1914, and said he thought the case quite similar and relying on the judgment and experience of this Past Master, W. Bro. Skill initiated the candidate (Bro. William

F. Melville). The Grand Master having heard of the matter, stayed further proceedings until the case would be dealt with by the Grand Lodge.

W. Bro. Skill also informed the committee that Bro. Melville was otherwise very acceptable material, of good character and reputation, a married man and holding a responsible position in that country for several years. From our conversation with W. Bro. Skill we are satisfied that if he had been left to work it out himself he would have at least postponed the initiation but was evidently led into the mistake by the decision of the said Past Master.

He now sees his error after his attention had been drawn to section 181 and the difference explained between this case and the one upon which the M.W. the Grand Master ruled as aforesaid. But the case being of such a serious character, it cannot go out as a precedent by doing nothing and your Board in the circumstances recommend that W. Bro. Skill be severely reprimanded in open lodge for his offence and for not making himself acquainted with the plain requirements of the Constitution in matters of this kind. We further recommend, it appearing that Bro. Melville will make a good Mason, he receive his other degrees, if he is disposed to take them.

Re North Entrance Lodge No. 463, Haliburton. This lodge elected and installed as Master of the lodge, an affiliated member of the lodge who had never filled the office of Warden in a lodge as is required by clause 144.

The brother elected Master was a minister of the Gospel and a M. M. of Minden Lodge No. 253, Kingston, when he moved to Haliburton and affiliated there. He is reported to have told the W. Master of North Entrance Lodge that he had never been elected a Warden, but that he had acted as Senior Warden in Minden Lodge several times during the temporary absence of their Senior Warden. The W. Master evidently thought this sufficient and the Bro. was elected; upon his installation answered the necessary questions put to him under the required provisions, in the affirmative, and took the chair of Haliburton Lodge as its Master. These proceedings are unpardonable and we recommend that the Master who allowed the election and installation be suspended for the term of one year, and that the election and installation of the Bro. be annulled as illegal and the office of W. Master be declared vacant.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. H. BURRITT,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Constitution and Laws be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD.

The R. W. the Deputy Grand Master presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Chairman of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Fraternal Dead, begs to report:

When those we love are gone, and when we know that never again can we see them with mortal eyes, nor ever again in this world hold converse with them, it seems a futile thing that we should lay upon their graves our tokens of affection and respect, and vainly pursue them to the other world with words of longing and regret. And we, who still are left, go our daily round, year after year missing a familiar face, while now and then some little thing, some look or word, or this or that startles our remembrance, and, albeit silently, we feel and sorrow. Surely we need no other prompter to our recollection, no further persuasion to our grief. And thus we know it is not for the living that we speak the praises of the departed, but because it seems to us a worthy thing to do such honour to the dead.

M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, C.M.G., Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests, died suddenly July 14th, 1915.

His was a busy life. Born in Ireland March 19th, 1845, he came to Canada in 1862, and served his country through many grades of office from 1876 to the time of his death. Many pages could be filled with words of praise from those whom his work most nearly touched. His chief, the Minister of Lands and Forests says: "He was a most efficient officer; under all circumstances he was absolutely loyal to his chief. He possessed in a marked degree the confidence, not only of the Government, but of the public generally with whom he came in touch. From the chief clerks down to the messengers all will testify to his keen personal interest in all around him, and his affectionate regard and consideration for everybody." He was indeed, a lovable christian gentleman. He always sought to make the party interest subordinate to the public interest. He never forgot he was the servant of the State. Industrious, able and trustworthy, the Province loses in him a faithful official, and the civil service of Ontario one of its outstanding figures.

In every branch of Masonry he was conspicuous. As D.D.G.M. of the Toronto District No. 11, as member of the Board of General Purposes for many years, as Deputy Grand Master in 1909 and 1910, and finally as Grand Master in 1911 and 1912 he worked faithfully and honourably for the interests of the craft, and to the eminent acceptability of his brethren. All admired and loved him, and all mourn his loss.

Since last you listened to the death roll, many of our number have learned the great secret.

IN OUR OWN JURISDICTION.

M. W. BRO. AUBREY WHITE, P.G.M., P.M. King Solomon's Lodge No. 22, Toronto. Died 14th July, 1915.

R. W. BRO. C. A. LAPP, P.D.D.G.M., Prince Edward District No. 13, Died 3rd July, 1914.

R. W. BRO. HENRY PRINGLE, P.D.D.G.M., Prince Edward District No. 13. Died 29th July, 1914.

R. W. BRO. JAMES B. CARSCALLEN, P.D.D.G.M., Erie District No. 1. Died September 19th, 1914.

R. W. BRO. R. E. WOOD, P.D.D.G.M., Ontario District No. 12. Died 28th September, 1914.

R. W. BRO. EDEN ABBOT JOHNSTON, P.D.D.G.M., Ottawa District No. 16. Died 27th October, 1914.

R. W. BRO. R. J. LOCKHART, P. D. D. G. M., Wellington District No. 13. Died 27th October, 1914.

R. W. BRO. REV. DAVID F. BOGART, P. G. Chaplain, Moira Lodge No. 11, Belleville. Died 11th November, 1914.

R. W. BRO. CHARLES H. CONNOR, P.D.D.G.M., Niagara District No. 10. Died 13th January, 1915.

R. W. BRO. JOHN ROBERTSON, P.D.D.G.M., Ottawa District No. 16. Died 4th February, 1915.

R. W. BRO. HARRY H. POST, P.D.D.G.M., Prince Edward District No. 13. Died 16th February, 1915.

R. W. BRO. WILLIAM FORBES, P.G.J.W., Union Lodge No. 7, Grimsby. Died February 16th, 1915.

R. W. BRO. RICHARD McNABB, P.D.D.G.M., Algoma District No. 17. Died 4th May, 1915.

R. W. BRO. BENJAMIN PAINE, P.D.D.G.M., Erie District No. 1. Died May 18th, 1915.

R. W. BRO. H. A. BONESTEEL, P.D.D.G.M., Prince Edward District No. 13. Died June 27th, 1915.

V. W. BRO. JAMES MACFARLANE, P.G. St'd., Orient Lodge No. 339, Toronto. Died 18th August, 1914.

V. W. BRO. R. T. COADY, P.G.D. of C., P.M. Wilson Lodge No. 86, Toronto. Died 20th September, 1914.

V. W. BRO. JAMES A. FRASER, P.G. Pursuivant, P.M. St. Clair Lodge No. 135, Milton. Died 20th October, 1914.

V. W. BRO. JAMES BICKNELL, Grand Senior Deacon, P.M. The Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton. Died 21st October, 1914.

V. W. BRO. ROBERT MANN, P.G.S.D., P.M. Harris Lodge, No. 216, Orangeville. Died 2nd November, 1914.

V. W. BRO. THOMAS BEATTIE, P.G.S.D., P.M. Tuscan Lodge No. 195, London. Died 2nd November, 1914.

V. W. BRO. JOHN CHARLES KEARNS, P.G.S.D., P. M. The Builders' Lodge No. 177, Ottawa. Died 4th March, 1915.

V. W. BRO. JOHN McDONALD, P.G. St'd., P. M. King Hiram Lodge No. 78, Tillsonburg. Died 13th May, 1915.

V. W. BRO. ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, P.G. St'd., P.M. Maitland Lodge No. 33, Goderich. Died May 20th, 1915.

V. W. BRO. ALEXANDER SMITH, P.G.O., P.M. Acacia Lodge No. 61, Hamilton. Died 5th June, 1915.

V. W. BRO. FRANK HAGUE, Grand Senior Deacon, P.M. Stevenson Lodge No. 218, Toronto. Died June 10th, 1915.

IN FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS.

M. W. BRO. JOHN LESLIE, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Manitoba; P.M. St. Clair Lodge, Milton, Ont., February 13th, 1915.

M. W. BRO. ISRAEL WOOD POWELL, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of British Columbia. February 25th, 1915.

M. W. BRO. JOHN B. TRESIDDER, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Quebec,

M. W. BRO. AUGUSTINE THOMAS SMYTHE, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of South Carolina, June 24th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. JAMES D. RICHARDSON, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee, July 24th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. ENOCH MOORE, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Delaware, July 26th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. GEORGE BELL FRANCE, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nebraska, August 16th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. HENRY BOSTWICK, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Kentucky, August 20th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. WILBUR S. COMSTOCK, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Connecticut, September 10th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. HARPER M. ORAHOD, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Colorado, September 15th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. ALFRED RANSON COURTNEY, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Virginia, 4th November, 1914.

M. W. BRO. FRANK M. FOOTE, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Wyoming, November 13th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. FRANK BURKITT, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Mississippi, November 18th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. HARRY PORTER DEUEL, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nebraska, November 23rd, 1914.

M. W. BRO. WARREN LARNE THOMAS, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Kentucky, November 24th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. WILLIAM H. PLEASANTS, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Virginia, November 25th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. JOSEPH A. MILLER, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nevada, December 8th, 1914.

M. W. BRO. HENRY W. LONG, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Florida, January 2nd, 1915.

M. W. BRO. JOHN McCracken, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon, February 15th, 1915.

M. W. BRO. MARTIN DUNHAM, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nebraska, February 18th, 1915.

M. W. BRO. AUGUSTUS WEYMAN-HOUSTON, Sr. P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Texas, February 21st, 1915.

M. W. BRO. JOHN JACKSON MERCER, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nebraska, February 25th, 1915.

M. W. BRO. HENRY HULBERT INGERSOLL, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee, March 12th, 1915.

M. W. BRO. GEORGE W. MARSHALL, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Delaware, April 18th, 1915.

M. W. BRO. DAVID BLIN FULLER, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Kansas, May 17th, 1915.

M. W. BRO. EDWARD COOK, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Illinois, May 20th, 1915.

"Wherever the battle is hard, and the strife is long,
Some shall falter and slip from the bright array,
Hear with a quickening ear the Valkyrie song,
And the close quick rush of their horses into the fray.
The last stern blow shall fall harmless, the foe go free,
And the lights go out and the passion for victory!
But can there be ever a spirit
So base as to fear it—
The final charge and the final riding away?"

And so, for the moment, the list is done, and we can lay it by till tomorrow—perhaps. "Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun; but if a man live many years and rejoice in them all, let him remember the days of darkness." The divine sadness of human life touches us at every point, and we need no outward monitor to remind us of our inevitable destiny. Even as is the race of leaves, so is the race of men; for some the wind scatters on the ground, and others the tree maturing puts forth when the spring time comes on. So of men, the one springs up and the other dies away.

Moreover, we like to hope that what is best in us will be remembered by our friends, and that in the future balancing of all our deeds, the faults and imperfections of our lives will kick the beam outweighed by our good acts. So we write: "Of the dead, nothing but good," and do not wish to think that "The evil that men do lives after them;" for all men praise the dead, and this it is that makes the struggle to emulate the dead so arduous. For, as a great man said, while a man lives he has his rivals and his enemies, but when once he is out of the way, then the honour and the praise which he receives are without alloy.

But whether his life be short or long, no man lives in vain. However insignificant our deeds may seem to us, there are some whom we touch very closely, and we cannot with assurance say that our lightest word and act will not be of weighty consequence to someone, perhaps our best beloved.

All about us in the air abounds that strange electric fluid, which the power of the giant dynamo draws off to send into a thousand homes to comfort with its light and heat. And so do love and sympathy ever exist in all the world in which we live, yet need the agency of some transforming power to become a cheering light and warming fire within the hearts of men. Let this power and work be ours, so that, when we come to die, the world may say of us, as we now proudly say about our newly dead, "They loved their fellow-men."

Who will gauge the breadth and depth of a brother's love? And yet too often in our diffident reserve we withhold, or rather fail to give, the kindly word and hand, which would mean so much to some fellow-labourer in life's field, and for which his heart yearns and yet hesitates to ask. And so we draw the rein upon our loving impulse, as though we could not show our brother love unless some great disaster has befallen him. And thus we wait, and wait, until the thing we waited for comes unexpectedly, and in dazed regret we realize that we are now too late. Better to gladden the senses of the living with our fragrant flowers than to pile them on the lifeless breast.

Better to lavish all our store of kindly thoughts from day to day upon our fellow men than to wait for death to crystallize them into some unfeeling monument, however grand to see. The little kindly acts of everyday life are lovely to behold! Their beauty is as the beauty of the dewdrops with their shifting brilliant lights, which, dispelled by the sun, are yet not lost, but in countless unseen particles permeate the air around us, helping to foster life and strength, to reappear more tangibly at the chilling touch of night, to form new and even more beauteous pictures in the coming dawn.

We honour then the brothers who have left us. Honour and glory be theirs, and loving recollection. For them no more the stings and heartaches of an envious world, but peace and dreamless rest for evermore. Ours the loneliness and fond regret, with firm resolve to emulate their virtues; yet ours, too, the compensation for the pain, in being better for their having lived and died like men. For us the chance to strengthen still the love of men for us; for them a place and home in all our hearts.

"Daily the tides of life go ebbing and flowing beside them,
Thousands of throbbing hearts, theirs are at rest and for ever;
Thousands of aching brains, where theirs no longer are busy;
Thousands of toiling hands, where theirs have ceased from their labours;
Thousands of weary feet, where theirs have completed their journey."

Fraternally submitted.

W. M. LOGAN,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Fraternal Dead be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The R. W. the Deputy Grand Master presented the report on Foreign Correspondence, which upon motion by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, was received and ordered to be printed as an appendix to the proceedings of Grand Lodge.

RE-DISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICTS.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, and

Resolved, That the M. W. the Grand Master be requested to appoint a committee for the purpose of re-dis-

tributing the lodges in this grand jurisdiction and re-constituting the districts, adding to their number where necessary. Said Committee to report to Grand Lodge at its next annual communication.

The M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to appoint on the above committee M. W. Bros. E. T. Malone, chairman, A. T. Freed and J. E. Harding and R. W. Bros. A. J. Young and Alexander Cowan; with power to add to their number.

NOMINATIONS.

Nominations for election of Grand Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing year, and for the place of holding the next annual meeting of Grand Lodge were called for, as provided by the Constitution.

CALLED OFF.

Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment at five o'clock p.m., to meet again at 9.30 o'clock on July 22nd.

SECOND DAY.

Thursday, July 22nd, 1915.

The Grand Lodge resumed labour at ten o'clock a.m., M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Grand Master on the throne; Grand Officers, members and representatives present.

The list of nominations for the election of Grand Lodge Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing year, and for the place of holding the next annual communication was read by the Grand Secretary.

SCRUTINEERS OF THE BALLOT.

The M. W. the Grand Master appointed the following Scrutineers of the Ballot for Grand Officers and elective members of the Board of General Purposes and for the place of holding the next annual communication, directed them to collect the ballot and to report the result to Grand Lodge.

R. W. Bro. Thomas Shanks, Civil Service Lodge No. 148, Ottawa, chairman. V. W. Bro. Robt. McConkey, Al-

gonquin Lodge No. 434, Emsdale; W. Bro. B. E. Wilson, King Solomon's Lodge No. 378, London; W. Bro. J. J. Wilson, Corona Lodge No. 454, Burk's Falls; W. Bro. J. B. Ford, Franck Lodge No. 127, Frankford; W. Bro. T. W. Solmes, Stirling Lodge No. 69, Stirling; W. Bro. R. W. Meiklejohn, Stirling Lodge No. 69, Stirling; W. Bro. W. N. Duff, Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie; W. Bro. D. A. Esdale, The Builders' Lodge No. 177, Ottawa; W. Bro. E. B. Brown, Victoria Lodge No. 470, Victoria Harbor; W. Bro. Geo. Powers, Lodge of Fidelity, No. 231, Ottawa; W. Bro. T. C. Doidge, Orillia Lodge No. 192, Orillia; W. Bro. Thos. Saunders, Chaudiere Lodge No. 264, Ottawa; W. Bro. W. H. Rice, Lodge of Fidelity No. 231, Ottawa; W. Bro. W. R. Ledger, Alpha Lodge No. 384, Toronto; W. Bro. A. H. McKee, The Builders' Lodge No. 177, Ottawa; W. Bro. M. W. Shepherd, Plantagenet Lodge No. 186, Riceville; W. Bro. H. G. French, Acacia Lodge No. 430, Toronto; W. Bro. T. E. Grainger, St. Marys Lodge No. 493, St. Marys; W. Bro. J. R. Bulmer, St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, Toronto; W. Bro. J. S. McAdam, The Builders' Lodge No. 177, Ottawa; W. Bro. H. H. Kirby, Hawkesbury Lodge No. 450, Hawkesbury; W. Bro. D. E. Russell, Reba Lodge No. 515, Brantford; W. Bro. D. W. Wilson, Acacia Lodge No. 61, Hamilton; W. Bro. Geo. Gillespie, Minden Lodge No. 253, Kingston; V. W. Bro. R. Ferguson, York Lodge No. 156, Toronto; R. W. Bro. H. J. Francis, Patterson Lodge No. 265, Thornhill; V. W. Bro. W. J. Shannon, Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee; W. Bro. W. A. Grange, Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee; W. Bro. G. S. Reid, Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee; W. Bro. J. H. S. Derry, Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee; W. Bro. F. G. Lee, Rehoboam Lodge No. 65, Toronto; R. W. Bro. H. W. Wilson, Lodge of Fidelity, No. 231, Ottawa; W. Bro. J. A. Hocking, Doric Lodge No. 58, Ottawa; W. Bro. Jos. Kent, Civil Service Lodge No. 148, Ottawa; W. Bro. W. A. Woodiwiss, St. George's Lodge No. 41, Kingsville.

ADOPTION OF REPORTS.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R. W. Bro. G. S. May, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. A. Macfadden, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Benevolence be adopted.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

The Special Committee appointed to consider and report upon the address of the M. W. the Grand Master beg leave to present their report.

The committee congratulate the Grand Master on the presentation of an address, recording a year of prosperity and progress for the Masonic Fraternity in the province of Ontario, which cannot fail to fill the brethren with gratification and pride, an address telling of splendid achievements, clothed in eloquent language, and burning with patriotic fervor.

With the Grand Master we lament the loss of those brethren who have been with us and who have departed from amongst us, and especially of M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, whom we knew so intimately and loved so well. While the loss of all these brethren has given us sorrow, we cannot doubt that the All-compassionate Father has taken them to His eternal rest.

The committee believe the Grand Master to have been correct in all his rulings and decisions, and recommend that they be approved by this Grand Lodge.

We most heartily congratulate the Grand Master on the gratifying success of his effort to raise money for the relief of suffering Belgium. It is a Masonic duty to help the needy to the extent of our ability, and in this case the spectacle of a whole nation of peaceful and industrious people overrun by military hordes, their cities burned, their industries destroyed, their breadwinners slain, their women outraged, their children mutilated and all reduced to a state of misery such as the world has not known for ages, appeals most strongly to all. We cannot doubt that the fact that Masons have hastened to the relief of those who have been taught by their spiritual leaders to hate Masonry will prove an object lesson to the world, while the material assistance given will alleviate suffering and save life.

The earnestness and zeal of the Grand Master in visiting his brethren throughout the jurisdiction commands admiration. He has been a very busy man. His professional and political duties have heavily taxed his time and his strength, but he has nevertheless been most energetic in the performance of all his Masonic duties, and in helping and encouraging Masonic work in all quarters. The gratitude of the brethren and a consciousness of duty well done will be his reward.

The tense and earnest attention with which the brethren listened, in especial to those parts of the Grand Master's address dealing with the cruel, causeless, and most barbarous war in Europe, and of the heroism of our Canadian soldiers in hastening to the defence of liberty and justice, proved that he voiced their sentiments and most eloquently

expressed their feelings. A man whose grandfather fought at Waterloo, and whose own sons are now at the front, could not fail in patriotic fervor. Let us thank him for saying so forcibly and eloquently that which we have all felt.

A year of prosperity and harmony in this jurisdiction is the record of M. W. Bro. McPherson's administration. The appreciation and love of his brethren will, we are confident, be to him a sufficient reward.

All of which is fraternally submitted on behalf of the committee.

A. T. FREED,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. S. A. Luke, seconded by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved, That the report of the Special Committee on the Grand Master's address be received and adopted.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The following brethren were nominated by representatives of lodges and Past Masters of the respective districts and were confirmed by the M. W. the Grand Master:

- R.W. Bro. John W. Draper, Erie District No. 1.
- R.W. Bro. Pearson P. Winn, St. Clair District No. 2.
- R.W. Bro. Geo. H. Poad, London District No. 3.
- R.W. Bro. Herbert W. Baker, South Huron District No. 4.
- R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Loughleen, North Huron District No. 5.
- R.W. Bro. Bertrand Blair, Wilson District No. 6.
- R.W. Bro. Peter Perry, Wellington District No. 7.
- R.W. Bro. Franklin Hanna, Hamilton District No. 8.
- R.W. Bro. Wm. H. Tudhope, Georgian District No. 9.
- R.W. Bro. Thos. A. Blakely, Georgian District No. 9a.
- R.W. Bro. Chas. S. Ross, Niagara District No. 10.
- R.W. Bro. James R. Fallis, Toronto West District No. 11.
- R.W. Bro. Wm. H. Legge, Toronto East District No. 11a.
- R.W. Bro. Arthur T. Lawler, Ontario District No. 12.
- R.W. Bro. John D. Shurie, Prince Edward District No. 13.
- R.W. Bro. John H. Birkett, Frontenac District No. 14.
- R.W. Bro. Wm. H. Mowat, St. Lawrence District No. 15.
- R.W. Bro. Henry Cox, Ottawa District No. 16.
- R.W. Bro. Elmora E. Wood, Algoma District No. 17.
- R.W. Bro. Norman J. McCubbin, Nipissing District No. 18.
- R.W. Bro. Robt. McConkey, Muskoka District No. 19.
- R.W. Bro. Henry T. Andrews, Otonabee District No. 20.
- R.W. Bro. Martin W. Shepherd, Eastern District No. 21.

M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone installed and invested the newly elected District Deputy Grand

Masters (with the exception of R. W. Bro. Wm. H. Mowat, D.D.G.M. of St. Lawrence District No. 15), and they were duly proclaimed and saluted with grand honours. R. W. Bro. E. A. Geiger, P.D.D.G.M. of District No. 15, was authorized and instructed to install and invest R. W. Bro. Mowat of District No. 15, at the earliest convenient date.

Subsequently it was reported to the Grand Secretary that the District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 15 above-named had been duly installed as directed.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY.

The following resolution was, upon motion of M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn, unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, desires to give expression to the sorrow in which the craft in Ontario are plunged by the sudden death of M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, C.M.G., P.G.M., on the 14th day of July, 1915. He was devoted to the craft and the remarkable talents with which the Supreme Being had endowed him were always at its disposal. He was an eloquent, impressive and convincing speaker. His counsel and advice were eagerly sought after by the craft in general, while his kindly spirit and warm Irish heart endeared him to all who had the honour of his acquaintance. He was faithful to his Masonic obligations and died regretted by his brethren. The eminent and efficient service which he rendered to the Province for so many years was gratefully and fittingly acknowledged not only by the members of the several Cabinets under which he served, but by His Majesty The King who singled him out for distinguished honours.

It was fitting that the end should come in Muskoka where the work of his early years proved such a help and blessing to many a struggling settler. Its lovely lakes and dense timber stretches were as an open book to him, and here surrounded by its wild beauty he went to his rest full of years and full of honour. He was loved and respected by all who knew him and merited every honour bestowed on him by his country and his brethren.

The heartfelt sympathy of the craft in Ontario is hereby tendered to his bereaved widow and family.

NOTICES OF MOTION, CONSIDERATION OF

Notices of Motion Nos. 1. and 2 by M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt were withdrawn.

Notice of Motion No. 3: It was moved by M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, seconded by R. W. Bro. George S. May, and

Resolved, That Section 190 of the Constitution be repealed and that the following be enacted in lieu thereof:—

190. The petition upon being presented and received by a lodge becomes the property of the lodge, and cannot be withdrawn. It shall be immediately referred to a committee, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the character of the applicant, and any other matters relevant to the petition, and to report thereon to the lodge at its next regular meeting, held after the lapse of not less than four weeks, or as soon thereafter as possible.

Notice of Motion No. 4 was withdrawn, and with the concurrence of Grand Lodge, the matter was referred to a committee, to be appointed by the M. W. the Grand Master, for consideration and report, through the Board of General Purposes, at next annual communication.

The M. W. the Grand Master appointed the following committee thereon, viz.: M. W. Bros. J. Ross Robertson, J. H. Burritt, D. F. Macwatt, R. W. Bros. Fred. Cook, H. T. Smith, Thomas Rowe, W. Bros. J. Whyte Rogers and John Brennen.

DEGREES CONFERRED ON MEMBERS OF
OVERSEAS CONTINGENTS.

The Grand Secretary reported the following degrees conferred on members of Overseas Contingents within the time limit prescribed by the Constitution, under dispensations granted by the M. W. the Grand Master, viz:

St. Andrew's No. 16, Toronto, W. H. Lowry, second and third degrees.

St. Andrew's No. 16, Toronto, Wm. Geo. Wilson, initiated, passed and raised on same night, in King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22, Toronto.

St. John's No. 17, Coburg, W. E. Fitzgerald, initiated, passed and raised on same evening in a lodge in Halifax, at request of Grand Master direct.

Rehoboam No. 65, Toronto, Frank G. Addison, second and third degrees.

Wilson No. 86, Toronto, Clarence R. Young, third degree in Mimico Lodge, No. 369, Lambton Mills.

Northern Light No. 93, Kincardine, Capt. R. Emmer-ton, third degree.

Belleville No. 123, Belleville, B. K. Allen, second and third degrees.

Ashlar No. 247, Toronto, Hy. J. McTaggart, second and third degrees.

Ashlar No. 247, Toronto, J. R. Low, second and third degrees.

Stratford No. 332, Stratford, H. Denroche, second and third degrees.

Brock No. 354, Cannington, H. Dudley-Waters, initiated, passed and raised on same night, in Niagara Lodge No. 2, Niagara.

King Solomon, No. 378, London, Thos. Holmes, third degree.

Oakville No. 400, Oakville, Kenneth D. Marlatt, second and third degrees.

Keystone No. 412, Sault Ste. Marie, Herbert Cottle, initiated, passed and raised on same night in Niagara Lodge, No. 2, Niagara.

Fort William No. 415, Fort William, Hy. Victor, second degree.

Acacia No. 430, Toronto, Jos. Heywood Grove, second and third degrees.

Alexandria No. 439, Alexandria, W. A. Morrison, second and third degrees.

King Edward No. 488, Harrow, Reginald Smith, third degree.

Port Arthur 499 Port Arthur, R. B. Harstone, third degree.

It was moved by the R. W. the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, That the fees for dispensations in the above cases, and in similar cases which may meet with the approval of the M.W. the Grand Master, be remitted or waived.

RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATION.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, and

Resolved, That Grand Lodge extends its hearty congratulations to M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed on this the fiftieth

anniversary of his initiation into Freemasonry and expresses the hope that he may for many more years be spared to the enjoyment of health and happiness.

The M. W. the Grand Master tendered the congratulations of Grand Lodge to M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, who responded in happy terms.

MUSICAL RITUAL.

The M. W. the Grand Master appointed a committee, consisting of M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, V. W. Bros. J. B. Hutchins and Geo. H. Mitchell, with power to add to their number, to consider the question of the adoption by Grand Lodge of a Musical Ritual for use in constituent lodges, and to report to Grand Lodge through the Board of General Purposes at the next annual communication.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

R. W. Bro. Thos. Shanks, Chairman, on behalf of the Scrutineers of the Ballot, presented the following report of the names of the brethren elected to the several offices and to the Board of General Purposes:

M.W. Bro. Sydney A. Luke, Ottawa, Grand Master.
 R.W. Bro. Wm. H. Wardrope, Hamilton, Deputy Grand Master.
 R.W. Bro. George Moore, Hamilton, Grand Senior Warden.
 R.W. Bro. R. W. Clewlo, Toronto, Grand Junior Warden.
 R.W. Bro. Rev. Wm. H. Snelgrove, Windsor, Grand Chaplain.
 M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Toronto, Grand Treasurer.
 R.W. Bro. R. L. Gunn, Hamilton, Grand Secretary.
 R.W. Bro. Thomas Marshall, Dunnville, Grand Registrar.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

R.W. Bro. J. A. Macfadden, Toronto.
 R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope, Grimsby.
 R.W. Bro. Geo. S. May, Ottawa.
 R.W. Bro. Alex. Cowan, Barrie.
 V.W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, Strathroy.

Subsequently the M.W. the Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments on the Board for the ensuing term of two years:

R.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Belleville.
 R.W. Bro. A. Shaw, Kingston.
 R.W. Bro. J. C. Bartram, Ottawa.
 R.W. Bro. Roger Miller, Ingersoll.
 W. Bro. Milton Wilbee, Brantford.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

The City of London, Ontario, was chosen as the next meeting place for the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

OFFICERS INSTALLED AND INVESTED.

M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, P.G.M., installed and invested the newly elected officers, who were proclaimed and saluted with the customary Grand Honours.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

The M. W. the Grand Master was pleased at a subsequent date to announce the following appointments to office for the ensuing year.:

Grand Senior Deacon—V.W. Bro. Maxwell S. Armstrong, Hanover.
 Grand Junior Deacon—V.W. Bro. Reginald H. James, Cobalt.
 Grand Superintendent of Works—V.W. Bro. Robt. G. Allen, Toronto.
 Grand Director of Ceremonies—V.W. Bro. David G. Sturrock, Toronto.
 Assistant Grand Secretary—V.W. Bro. James Aylesworth, Tamworth.
 Asst. Grand Director of Ceremonies—V.W. Bro. Fred. J. Daniels, Princeton.
 Grand Sword Bearer—V.W. Bro. W. S. McKay, Galt.
 Grand Organist—V.W. Bro. Geo. H. Mitchell, Toronto.
 Asst. Grand Organist—V.W. Bro. John Renwick, Caledonia.
 Grand Pursuivant—V.W. Bro. James E. Keays, London..

GRAND STEWARDS.

V.W. Bro. Orlando S. Clark, Sarnia.
 V.W. Bro. Henry O. Bell, Southampton.
 V.W. Bro. Andrew D. McLean, Sunderland.
 V.W. Bro. Wm. O. Adams, Belleville.
 V.W. Bro. Wm. A. Woodiwiss, Kingsville.
 V.W. Bro. Luther F. Blanchard, Mallorytown.
 V.W. Bro. Alex. S. Chrystal, Goderich.
 V.W. Bro. Arthur Jemison, Millbrook.

V.W. Bro. Wm. G. Mackay, Cookstown.
V.W. Bro. Phillip Proudfoot, Russell.
V.W. Bro. Donald K. McGregor, Rainy River.
V.W. Bro. R. Daniel Keefe, Penetanguishene.

GRAND STANDARD BEARERS.

V.W. Bro. Wm. K. Farlinger, Morrisburg.
V.W. Bro. John J. Wilson, Burk's Falls.

THE GRAND TYLER.

Bro. H. J. Heath, London.

HISTORIAN OF GRAND LODGE.

M.W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, Toronto.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated to procure a testimonial to M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, the retiring Grand Master, for the able and energetic manner in which he has presided over Grand Lodge for the past two years, and that the M.W. the Grand Master be requested to appoint a committee to select and present the same.

The M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to appoint M. W. Bros. E. T. Malone (Chairman), and Sir John M. Gibson and Benjamin Allen as a committee to select and present the testimonial.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, That the thanks of Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren of Hamilton for the excellent accommodation provided and kindly attentions shown to the members during this annual communication.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the thanks of Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the Committee on Credentials and the Scrutineers of the Ballot, for the valuable services rendered by them at this annual communication.

INSTRUCTION OF D. D. G. Ms.

The M. W. the Grand Master announced that M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone would instruct the newly

installed District Deputy Grand Masters in the secret work, and in the duties of their office generally.

The Grand Chaplain then invoked the blessing of the Most High upon the members of Grand Lodge during the coming recess.

GRAND LODGE CLOSED.

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, it was closed at four o'clock p.m.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. H. Gunning".

Grand Secretary.

RETURNS OF LODGES AS AT JUNE 24, 1915,

Also Receipts From Lodges for the Year Ended

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on or near the Festival

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
2	aNiagara	Niagara	F. J. McClelland	J. W. Brown
3	aAnct. St. John's	Kingston	P. H. Rider	A. W. Cathcart
5	aSussex	Brockville	Victor de Carle	Geo. K. Dewey
6	Barton	Hamilton	A. P. Goering	W. H. F. Whately
7	Union	Grimsby	R. Wismer	A. E. Phipps
9	aUnion	Napanee	Wm. A. Grange	W. J. Shannon
10	Norfolk	Simcoe	Jas. H. Shaw	R. E. Guntton
11	aMoir	Belleville	D. G. Bleecker	John Newton
14	aTrue Britons	Perth	Jas. V. Watson	F. V. Buffam
15	St. George's	St. Catharines	Rich. Wilson	A. N. Lindsay
16	aSt. Andrew's	Toronto	J. A. Graham	J. D. Keachie
17	St. John's	Cobourg	C. H. Winter	Robt. Buck
18	aPrince Edward	Pictou	M. K. Adams	R. H. Hubbs
20	aSt. John's	London	Edward Gerry	Rich Booth
21	aSt. John's	Vankleek Hill	Jas. Westgate	Chas. S. Bennett
22	aKing Solomon's	Toronto	W. H. Roberts	Donald Mackay
23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	Wm. A. Wright	H. A. Nicholls
24	aSt. Francis	Smith's Falls	Geo. H. Saunders	G. W. Fluker
25	aIonic	Toronto	Geo. E. Evans	John E. Cameron
26	aOntario	Port Hope	Thos. Walker	N. S. Choate
27	aStrict Observance	Hamilton	H. W. Linton	Wm. C. Morton
28	aMt. Zion	Kemptville	Geo. S. Conley	S. H. Guest
29	aUnited	Brighton	W. H. Russell	B. C. H. Becker
30	aComposite	Whitby	W. M. VanValkenburg	F. H. Wehrley
31	aJerusalem	Bowmanville	W. J. Bragg	J. S. Moorecraft
32	aAmity	Dunnville	J. E. Vocum	W. D. Patterson
33	aMaitland	Goderich	A. C. Hunter	John Straiton
34	aThistle	Amherstburg	E. A. Patton	E. R. Lewis
35	St. John's	Cayuga	W. U. Anthony	J. W. Sheppard
37	aKing Hiram	Ingersoll	G. M. McKay	Geo. Naylor
38	aTrent	Trenton	W. J. Potts	W. H. James
39	aMt. Zion	Brooklin	A. E. Grass	John J. Moore
40	aSt. John's	Hamilton	F. J. Maw	Jas. F. Mercer
41	aSt. George's	Kingsville	W. W. Chisholm	Geo. S. Goodeve
42	aSt. George's	London	R. H. Smith	A. Ellis
43	aKing Solomon's	Woodstock	A. A. Williams	R. L. Revell
44	aSt. Thomas	St. Thomas	J. A. Ryckman	F. W. Judd
45	Brant	Brantford	H. W. Sullivan	Geo. Whitwell
46	aWellington	Chatham	T. F. Guttridge	Benj. Rothwell
47	aGreat Western	Windor	E. B. Winter	John Fry
48	aMadoc	Madoc	A. H. Watson	L. F. Morrice
50	aConsecon	Consecon	Geo. Maidens	H. F. Lea
52	aDalhousie	Ottawa	C. G. Keyes	H. W. Jackson
54	aVaughan	Maple	N. W. Malloy	Wm. R. Rumble
55	aMerrickville	Merrickville	Jas. O. Hyndman	G. R. Putnam
56	aVictoria	Sarnia	A. M. Baxter	F. C. Watson
57	aHarmony	Binbrook	Allan Spittal	E. J. Whitworth
58	aDoric	Ottawa	J. A. Ross	A. G. Greenfield
61	aAcacia	Hamilton	H. W. Temple	C. E. Kelly
62	aSt. Andrew's	Caledonia	J. A. Hainer	John Thompson
63	aSt. John's	Carleton Place	H. W. Dummert	A. T. Hudson
64	aKilwinning	London	Chas. R. Reed	R. W. Glover
65	aRehoboam	Toronto	W. J. S. Graham	Geo. H. Mitchell
66	Durham	Newcastle	E. W. Davison	J. A. Butler, M.D.
68	aSt. John's	Ingersoll	H. P. Stoneman	L. H. Thompson
69	Stirling	Stirling	R. W. Meikejohn	G. W. Bailey
72	Alma	Galt	John P. Stuart	A. J. Oliver
73	aSt. James	St. Marys	Arthur Deviney	Thos. L. Sinclair
74	aSt. James	S. Augusta	W. Warner	L. C. Shephard
75	St. John's	Toronto	E. S. Calder	T. H. Fitzpatrick
76	aOxford	Woodstock	Jas. F. Moore	J. W. Dutton

AND LAST RETURNS RECEIVED

31st May, 1915, and Ledger Balances at That Date.

of St. John the Evangelist, all others on or near that of St. John the Baptist.

No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With-drawn	Deaths	Suspen. N. P. D.	Suspen. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns
2	W. on or b.f.m.	7	9	8								107	24 June 1915
3	1st Thursday	13	13	13	4	3	1					250	
5	3rd Monday	8	9	9	1	2	4	1				294	" "
6	2nd Wednesday	12	18	20	12	12	3					463	" "
7	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	6	6	4	2	3	4					149	" "
9	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	6	9	7	1	1	4					160	" "
10	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	7	6	2	1	1					150	" "
11	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	5	6	6			1	9			1	289	" "
14	1st Monday	4	10	12		3	3					138	27 Dec. 1914
15	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	13	13	9		2	5	9				146	24 June 1915
16	2nd Tuesday	16	14	15	2	2	9	3				466	" "
17	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	13	12	16	6	1	2				4	149	" "
18	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	4	2	1	5	1	1					233	" "
20	2nd Tuesday	11	20	18	8	7	1	6			3	318	" "
21a	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	2		5						63	" "
22	2nd Thursday	25	27	29	8		1	7			1	373	" "
23	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	4	5	5	1	1	1					65	" "
24	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	9	8	13	10	1	1	1			1	174	" "
25	1st Tuesday	6	3	1	2		3					312	" "
26	3rd Friday	4	3	4	1	2					1	147	" "
27	3rd Friday	11	8	12	2	5	2	3				440	" "
28	Friday bef. F. M.	3	2	3	1		1					81	" "
29	Tue. on or brf. F. M.	12	9	9	5		3					129	" "
30	1st Friday	5	5	1	2	2						85	" "
31	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	6	7	12	2	1	2				1	144	" "
32	Wed. on or aft. F. M.	6	4	2		1	2					147	24 June 1914
33	2nd Tuesday	12	13	11	1	1	2	1				188	" 1915
34	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	4	4		1	1					123	27 Dec. 1914
35	Thur. on or aft. F. M.	4	4	5	1	2						89	" "
37	1st Friday	4	4	3	3	2	2	1				153	24 June 1915
38	Tuesday before F. M.	9	12	8		2	1		1			153	" "
39	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	2								62	" "
40	3rd Thursday	22	23	32	9		2	7			1	523	" "
41	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	20	13	19	3	2	3				2	171	" "
42	1st Thursday	18	22	20		1	4	3				188	" "
43	1st Tuesday	12	11	13	4	1	1					307	" "
44	1st Thursday	11	9	12	4	10	5	2			1	366	" "
45	2nd Tuesday	10	10	14		3	1	15				324	" "
46	1st Monday	26	26	27	7	5	6	4			2	262	" "
47	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	43	37	52	20	4	5					615	" "
48	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	3	2	3			4					128	" "
50	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	6	6	6			2	1				65	27 Dec 1914
52	1st Tuesday	13	17	20	8	5	5	11			3	350	24 June 1915
54	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2				2				47	" "
55	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	6	3	3	1	1						112	" "
56	1st Tuesday	21	19	12	1	3	1					251	" "
57	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	16	18	15	1							119	" "
58	1st Friday	12	14	15	8	3	2	1			1	224	" "
61	2nd Friday	15	29	32	2	3	10	5			4	538	" "
62	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	6	7	8	1	1	1					93	" "
63	2nd Wednesday	7	7	5	3		2					200	" "
64	3rd Friday	18	22	16	1	2	3	3			2	255	" "
65	1st Thursday	32	30	30	2	1	4					499	" "
66	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	4	4	5	3	2	3				62	" "
68	3rd Friday	10	4	2	1			8				101	" "
69	Thur. on or aft. F. M.	6	4	4	1	4					1	109	" "
72	Last Tuesday	5	3	4	2		1					190	" "
73	1st Monday	10	13	7								126	" "
74	Monday nearest F. M.					2	4	2				77	" "
75	1st Monday	4	2	7		4	7	12			1	311	" "
76	2nd Monday	10	9	12	6	5	2	15			2	246	" "

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1915.

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
77	aFaithful Brethren	Lindsay	G. W. Hall	R. G. Corneil
78	aKing Hiram	Tilsonburg	Alex. McIntyre	Hy. McQueen
79	aSimcoe	Bradford	A. E. Scanlon	Frank Kilkenny
81	aSt. John's	Mt. Brydges	Chas. O. Winter	Wm. Young, Sr.
82	St. John's	Paris	M. C. Hawley	P. Buckley
83	aBeaver	Strathroy	Geo. H. Adamson	R. F. Richardson
84	Clinton	Clinton	A. C. Clarkson	H. B. Chant
85	aRising Sun	Athens	G. H. R. Hamilton	A. W. Parish
86	aWilson	Toronto	Chas. Spanner	John B. Mill
87	Markham Union	Markham	R. M. Stewart	Jas. Malcolm
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	J. D. Campbell	John M. Campbell
90	aManito	Collingwood	W. H. Whipps	W. T. Herrington
91	aColborne	Colborne	W. F. Griffis	H. S. Keyes
92	aCatawaqui	Kingston	Fred. Crozier	Robt. Hendry
93	aNorthern Light	Kincardine	R. B. Davey	M. J. McPherson
94	aSt. Mark's	Port Stanley	H. M. Ellison	Wm. Jackson
96	aCorinthian	Barrie	A. H. Felt	Alfred Wilkes
97	aSharon	Queensville	Rev. W. P. Fletcher	Jas. M. Milne
98	True Blue	Bolton	Geo. L. Bolton	Robt. Smith
99	Tuscan	Newmarket	Theo. Bolton	H. E. Whyte
100	Valley	Dundas	Jos. Irwin	F. A. Latshaw
101	aCorinthian	Peterborough	H. W. Morphet	W. R. Morris
103	aMaple Leaf	St. Catharines	Roy. A. Hare	H. J. Johnson
104	St. John's	Norwich	W. E. Murdel	G. W. Poldon
105	aSt. Mark's	Niagara Falls	A. V. Braund	C. J. Didemus
106	aBurford	Burford	E. A. Burgis	Geo. Armstrong
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	John E. Dale	H. Poole
108	Blenheim	Princeton	G. Cockburn	F. J. Daniel
109	aAlbion	Harrowsmith	H. W. Guess	J. T. McKim
110	aCentral	Prescott	Wm. Gregory	A. T. Adams
113	aWilson	Waterford	Wm. E. Johnston	R. D. Gibson
114	aHope	Port Hope	Gideon Nantel	Thos. H. Bell
115	aIvy	Beamsville	T. W. Woodland	W. D. Fairbrother
116	aCassia	Theford	Robt. McKenzie	Geo. G. Heming
118	Union	Schomberg	Francis Attridge	R. W. Stewart
119	aMaple Leaf	Bath	H. T. Laidley	F. W. Armstrong
120	Warren	Fingal	W. T. Eadey	N. E. Burton
121	aDoric	Brantford	Jos. L. Dixon	Jas. C. Spence
122	aRenfrew	Renfrew	J. B. Ferguson	Hugh Macdonald
123	aBelleville	Belleville	John McCarthy	D. Barragar
125	aCornwall	Cornwall	A. C. Wyatt	John Ridley
126	aGolden Rule	Campbellford	Robt. S. Bell	V. S. Collinson
127	aFrank	Frankford	E. Reynolds	S. Howell
128	aPembroke	Pembroke	D. E. Burns	R. M. Rattray
129	Rising Sun	Aurora	M. Doolittle	Fred. Baldwin
131	aSt. Lawrence	Southampton	John D. McLeod	F. Goodier
133	aLebanon Forest	Exeter	W. J. Murray	R. N. Creech
135	aSt. Clair	Milton	W. L. Elliott	J. W. Crozier
136	Richardson	Stouffville	W. H. Shaw	E. S. Barker
137	aPythagoras	Meaford	Wm. H. Brown	F. A. Clarke
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	D. M. Hall	H. A. Saunders
140	aMalahide	Aylmer	S. F. Ball	J. R. Woods
141	aTudor	Mitchell	David Hughey	A. J. Blowes
142	aExcelsior	Morrisburg	R. H. Ashton	B. A. Herring
143	aFriendly Bros.	Iroquois	Jas. R. Bullis	S. W. Wood
144	aTecumseh	Stratford	Smith Shaw	F. S. Smith
145	aJ. B. Hall	Millbrook	A. Jemison	Chas. Thorndyke
145	aPrince of Wales	Newburgh	E. S. Hamilton	J. R. Lochead
147	Mississippi	Almonte	Thos. Dean	W. S. Boyd
148	aCivil Service	Ottawa	Jos. Kent	Robt. Telford
149	aErie	Port Dover	F. H. Stringer	F. C. Henderson
151	aGrand River	Berlin	M. Schiedel	J. F. Carmichael
153	aBurns	Wyoming	F. J. Junn	Wm. Culbert
154	aIrving	Lucan	C. J. Murdy	R. J. McMeahan
155	aPeterborough	Peterborough	W. S. Campbell	W. H. Walkey
156	aYork	Toronto	Thos. W. Lynn	A. H. Urmy
157	aSimpson	Newboro	R. J. Davison	A. S. Morton

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With-drawn	Deaths	Suspen. N. P. D.	Suspen. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns
77	1st Friday	7	6	9	4	6	1	4			1	255	24 June 1915
78	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	13	12	16	4	1	4	8			1	182	" "
79	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	6	1		1	3	1	15			1	81	" "
81	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	1	1		2			1		1	87	" "
82	2nd Tuesday	7	6	7	2	4	1	4				113	" "
83	Friday after F. M.	5	6	5	4	4		1				136	27 Dec. 1914
84	Friday after F. M.	2	2	3	1	3	1	4				84	24 June 1915
85	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	3	2							82	" "
86	3rd Tuesday	25	30	27	1	7	5	9			1	383	" "
87	Friday on or bef. F. M.	8	8	9		3						108	" "
88	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	12	10	14	1		3					199	" "
90	Wed. on or aft. F. M.											137	24 June 1911
91	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	3	2	1	2	2	2					115	24 June 1914
92	2nd Friday	17	12	9	4	2	2	1			1	283	24 June 1915
93	1st Wednesday	10	10	10	3	3		5			2	123	" "
94	2nd Tuesday	7	6	10		1		2				77	" "
96	1st Thursday	6	6	5	1	1	4					211	" "
97	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	3	7	1	1	1	4				79	" "
98	Fri. on or aft. F. M.	1	1	2								65	" "
99	2nd Wednesday	1	3	3	1	2		1				69	" "
100	2nd Monday	10	7	7	1							192	" "
101	3rd Friday	7	9	6	2	7	3	5				179	" "
103	Last Thursday	9	9	10	5		1	1				236	" "
104	Wed. on or aft. F. M.	4	3	3		1	1					107	" "
105	2nd Tuesday	7	12	12	2	1	5	5	1	1		171	" "
106	Wed. on or bef. W. M.	9	7	10			1					89	" "
107	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	4	5	6			1	1				90	" "
108	Fri. on or aft. F. M.	5	4	3								59	" "
109	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	4	4	9	1	1						97	" "
110	1st Tuesday	5	4	1	1	1	2					137	" "
113	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	14	14	12		3	3					154	" "
114	1st Friday	8	8	6	2	1						168	" "
115	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	9	9	6	3	1						138	" "
116	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2		2						43	" "
118	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	2								62	" "
119	Monday before F. M.	2	2	2		2		3			1	70	" "
120	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	4	1		3	1					45	" "
121	3rd Friday	9	3	8	5	4	8					505	" "
122	1st Monday	3	2	1		2	2					135	24 June 1915
123	1st Thursday	11	6	8	2	4	2	12			1	162	" "
125	1st Wednesday	6	5	8	1	2	2	1				137	" "
126	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	6	7	1	1	1						110	" "
127	Monday before F. M.	4	2	2		2	2	1			1	119	" "
128	1st Thursday	4	5	5	1	1	4				2	174	" "
129	1st Friday	6	5	4	2	2	2				1	97	" "
131	Tue. on or aft. F. M.	4	4	6	1	1						83	" "
133	Mon. bef. F. M.	4	3	6	5	3	1				1	110	" "
135	Thur. before F. M.	5	3	8	2		1					127	" "
136	Fri. on or aft. F. M.	1	1	1	1	4						57	" "
137	Fri. nearest F. M.	1	2	6	1	3		3				119	" "
139	2nd Tuesday	13	12	7	2	2	1					150	" "
140	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	8	7	7		2	2	2			1	134	" "
141	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	5	6	1	1		5				68	" "
142	Fri. on or bef. F. M.				1	1	2					71	" "
143	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	2	3	2	1	1	1	3			2	102	" "
144	3rd Friday	8	9	10	8	4		6			1	263	" "
145	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	2	5	6			2					70	" "
146	Wed. bef. F. M.	8	5	3	1	1						82	" "
147	1st Friday	4	11	9		1	1					107	" "
148	2nd Tuesday	16	16	12	4	4	3					236	" "
149	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	7	4	6	1	2						92	" "
151	2nd Tuesday	12	8	9	2	2	1	8	1		1	215	" "
153	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	6	4	4		2	1					116	" "
154	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	6	6	6		1	1					94	" "
155	1st Friday	4	5	6	1							263	" "
156	3rd Friday	17	9	14	2	7	3	8			1	235	" "
157	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	5		1						75	" "

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
158	aAlexandra.....	Oil Springs.....	J. W. Sutherland.....	John W. Sauvey.....
159	aGoodwood.....	Richmond.....	Rev. T. J. Vickery.....	S. W. Bradley.....
161	aPercy.....	Warkworth.....	E. C. Armstrong.....	A. M. Smale.....
162	aForest.....	Wroxeter.....	C. W. Kitchen.....	Gavin Davidson.....
164	aStar in the East.....	Wellington.....	J. M. Branscombe.....	L. G. Dorland.....
165	aBurlington.....	Burlington.....	H. M. Pettit.....	Jas. S. Allen.....
166	aWentworth.....	Stoney Creek.....	Wm. Jones.....	R. H. Dewar.....
168	aMerritt.....	Welland.....	Geo. Cook.....	H. E. Dawdy.....
169	aMacnab.....	Port Colborne.....	Lewis Smith.....	D. Burt.....
170	aBritannia.....	Seaforth.....	S. T. Holmes.....	L. C. Jackson.....
171	aPrince of Wales.....	Lawrence Sta.....	D. E. Patterson.....	Jas. A. Kindree.....
172	aAyr.....	Ayr.....	James G. Fair.....	A. Falconer.....
174	aWalsingham.....	Port Rowan.....	F. E. Mason.....	J. E. Biddle.....
177	aThe Builders.....	Ottawa.....	J. S. McAdam.....	H. H. Cairns.....
178	aPlattsville.....	Plattsville.....	Robt. Bristow.....	W. R. Henderson.....
180	aSpeed.....	Guelph.....	Bard Whetstone.....	W. G. Stephenson.....
181	aOriental.....	Port Burwell.....	M. G. Burwell.....	A. N. Wright.....
184	aOld Light.....	Lucknow.....	Duncan Cameron.....	W. A. Wilson.....
185	aEnniskillen.....	York.....	A. Renshaw.....	F. W. Brown.....
186	aPlantagenet.....	Riceville.....	J. H. McIntosh.....	G. A. Ryan.....
190	aBelmont.....	Belmont.....	Gordon McCallum.....	John F. Turner.....
192	aOrillia.....	Orillia.....	T. C. Doidge.....	G. A. Cole.....
193	aScotland.....	Scotland.....	J. E. Anderson.....	J. A. Messecar.....
194	aPetrolia.....	Petrolia.....	D. J. Carter.....	Thos. Bicknell.....
195	aTuscan.....	London.....	Albert N. Udy.....	J. E. Magee.....
196	aMadawaska.....	Arnprior.....	T. S. Church.....	Henry Newham.....
197	aSaugeen.....	Walkerton.....	D. A. Walker.....	R. H. McKay.....
200	aSt. Alban's.....	Mt. Forest.....	Robt. Galbraith.....	John E. Robertson.....
201	aLeeds.....	Gananoque.....	Thos. Adair.....	A. B. Munroe.....
203	aIrvine.....	Elora.....	Chas. N. Mighton.....	Henry Clark.....
205	aNew Dominion.....	New Hamburg.....	Walter Kerr.....	S. G. Holley.....
207	aLancaster.....	Lancaster.....	J. J. Calder.....	W. N. McGillis.....
209	aEvergreen.....	Lanark.....	Andrew Doyle.....	C. M. Forbes.....
209a	aSt. Johns.....	London.....	Geo. E. Logan.....	J. E. Keenleyside.....
212	aElysian.....	Garden Island.....	John Kennedy.....	Rollie Mullin.....
215	aLake.....	Ameliasburg.....	L. Drummond.....	Jas. E. Glenn.....
216	aHarris.....	Orangeville.....	A. N. Adams.....	A. E. Annis.....
217	aFrederick.....	Delhi.....	Arthur Gerhard.....	T. E. Morgan.....
218	aStevenson.....	Toronto.....	D. J. Procter.....	H. C. H. Corneil.....
219	aCredit.....	Georgetown.....	J. R. Nixon.....	Geo. Ford.....
220	aZeredatha.....	Uxbridge.....	Harry Shelly.....	V. M. Hare.....
221	aMountain.....	Thorold.....	R. A. Gibson.....	J. B. Clarke.....
222	aMarmora.....	Marmora.....	W. C. Inkster.....	C. A. Blucher.....
223	aNorwood.....	Norwood.....	Rev. G. A. MacLennan.....	Wm. C. Pickens.....
224	aZurich.....	Hensall.....	Wm. E. Hoggarth.....	Jas. W. Bonthron.....
225	aBernard.....	Listowel.....	H. M. Langford.....	J. H. Blackmore.....
228	aPrince Arthur.....	Odessa.....	Geo. W. Bell.....	Robt. Bennett.....
229	aIonic.....	Brampton.....	Chas. Allan.....	W. H. McFadden.....
230	aKerr.....	Barrie.....	A. E. Stone.....	W. N. Duff.....
231	aLodge of Fidelity.....	Ottawa.....	W. H. Rice.....	C. B. Patten.....
232	aCameron.....	Dutton.....	A. A. Morrison.....	G. S. Woods.....
233	aDoric.....	Parkhill.....	Geo. W. Racey.....	Dr. Geo. A. Fraser.....
234	aBeaver.....	Clarksburg.....	Walter Reekie.....	Chas. Pye.....
235	aAldworth.....	Paisley.....	A. A. Sinclair.....	D. Forrester.....
236	aManitoba.....	Cookstown.....	Fred. Tomlinson.....	W. G. Mackay.....
237	aVienna.....	Vienna.....	S. S. Clutton.....	Benj. Brian.....
238	aHavelock.....	Watford.....	E. A. Brown.....	S. B. Howden.....
239	aTweed.....	Tweed.....	A. E. Logan.....	W. W. Garrett.....
242	aMacoy.....	Mallorytown.....	L. F. Blanchard.....	F. H. Mallory.....
243	aSt. George.....	St. George.....	Jas. McNeilly.....	A. F. Kitchen.....
245	aTecumseh.....	Thamesville.....	Alex. P. Hopper.....	Robt. Pye.....
247	aAshlar.....	Toronto.....	Valentine Boyd.....	W. H. Best.....
249	aCaledonian.....	Midland.....	W. H. Coon.....	Alex. W. Bell.....
250	aThistle.....	Embro.....	Wilbert Hossack.....	Columbus Ross.....
253	aMinden.....	Kingston.....	G. H. Gillespie.....	T. D. Minnes.....
254	aClifton.....	Niagara Falls.....	W. H. Wensley.....	S. D. Warren.....
255	aSydenham.....	Dresden.....	Wm. H. Hopper.....	H. J. French.....

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58	Thur. aft. F. M.	11	12	8								83	24 June 1915
59	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	7	9	10		32		10				69	" "
61	Wed. bef. F. M.	1	1	2		2						88	" "
62	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	2								51	" "
64	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	1	1	1	4	2					132	27 Dec. 1914
65	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	4	4	5	6	4	1	2				153	24 June 1915
66	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	7	7	6	3	5	1					149	" "
68	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	14	15	13	1	4	1	3				145	" "
69	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	13	11	11	1	2	1	7				100	" "
70	1st Monday	13	9	6	1	1	1	1				115	" "
71	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	3		1		2			4	45	" "
72	2nd Monday	7	7	8							1	55	" "
74	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	4	5		1	1				2	82	" "
77	2nd Friday	16	13	14	5	4	4	1				295	" "
78	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	1		2						49	" "
80	1st Tuesday	13	24	21	2			3				160	" "
81	Tue. on or bef. F. M.		1			2	1				1	42	" "
84	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	1		1	3					103	" "
85	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	5								28	27 Dec. 1914
86	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	9	9	9								59	24 June 1915
90	Fri. on or bef. F. M.			2		1						77	" "
92	1st Friday	17	14	13	1	2		4				265	" "
93	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	7	7	8		2	2					87	" "
94	2nd Wednesday	8	8	7	2	2	3	1				148	" "
95	1st Monday	6	9	10	5	1	1					138	" "
96	2nd Monday	6	6	6	2	2		2				106	" "
97	2nd Tuesday	2	2	2		5						74	" "
00	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2			2					83	" "
01	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	8	5	4	2	2						195	" "
03	3rd Friday	3	4	4			1					94	" "
05	Mon. on or aft. F. M.	2	2	1	2							41	" "
07	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	9	7	6			1					129	" "
09	1st Friday	3	3	6	1	2	4					43	27 Dec. 1914
09	a 1st Tuesday	23	20	27	3		3	2			1	429	24 June 1915
12	1st Monday											17	" "
15	Mon. on or bef. F. M.		1	1		4	2	5			1	66	" "
16	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	13	11	14	2	3	4	2			3	163	" "
17	Mon. on or before F. M.	8	6	3	3	1						65	" "
18	2nd Monday	10	10	13	1	1	4				2	281	" "
19	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	6	5	4	4	2	3	1				102	" "
20	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	1		3	1	2			1	88	" "
21	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	10	9	13	2						1	166	" "
22	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	3	2	3		4	1					93	" "
23	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	8	7	4		2		1		1		109	" "
24	Mon. on or bef. F. M.						1					78	" "
25	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	3	7	9								115	" "
28	Mon. on or aft. F. M.	7	5	6			2	4				72	" "
29	3rd Tuesday	6	7	9	2							145	" "
30	3rd Friday	13	11	8	4	4	1				1	181	" "
31	3rd Tuesday	13	15	15	5	3	2	2				281	" "
32	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	6	6	4	2						2	90	" "
33	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	1	4	1	1					60	" "
34	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	3		2	2					86	" "
35	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	6	5	5		1						90	" "
36	Tue. on or aft. F. M.	10	9	6								80	" "
37	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	7	10	7	1						1	72	" "
38	Tues. before F. M.	7	8	7	4	6	1					75	" "
39	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2	1	1	1					127	" "
42	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	4	3	2		1	1					97	" "
43	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	3	1			1				81	" "
45	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	8	6	4	2	1						78	" "
47	4th Tuesday	11	14	22		3	4					417	" "
49	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	9	10	10	4	5	1	8				215	" "
50	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	9	10	8	1	2					1	56	" "
53	1st Tuesday	2				1		2			1	163	27 Dec. 1914
54	1st Thursday	15	17	17	3	1	1	2			1	255	24 June 1915
55	2nd Thursday	1	2	2	1	1	6	2				83	27 Dec. 1915

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
256	a Farran's Point	Aultsville	B. P. Daugharty	R. H. Hanes
257	a Galt	Galt	C. E. Raup	Robt. Clark
258	Guelph	Guelph	Wm. Lodge	Jas. Ryder
259	Springfield	Springfield	L. H. Douglas	M. M. Black
260	a Washington	Petrolia	C. W. McKaig	L. Collier
261	a Oak Branch	Innerkip	G. W. King	R. Q. Irving
262	a Harriston	Harriston	Geo. Morrell	E. W. Lambert
263	a Forest	Forest	Geo. McFarlane	P. W. Campbell
264	a Chaudiere	Ottawa	R. P. Taylor	Thos. Saunders
265	Patterson	Thornhill	G. H. Hooper	J. A. Thompson
266	a Northern Light	Stayner	J. A. Campbell	J. W. Bethune
267	Parthenon	Chatham	A. M. Burtch	J. G. Martin
268	a Verulam	Bobcaygeon	T. J. Ingram	E. J. Broad
269	a Brougham Union	Claremont	R. Brodie	Robt. E. Forsyth
270	a Cedar	Oshawa	A. M. McDonald	E. W. Drew
271	Wellington	Erin	A. G. Parry	J. S. Milloy
272	Seymour	Ancaster	Thos. McDermid	John Pickard
274	a Kent	Blenheim	E. C. Hodgins	John Crookshank
276	a Teeswater	Teeswater	B. J. Ferguson	M. H. Gillies
277	a Seymour	Port Dalhousie	Geo. House	T. O. Johnston
279	a New Hope	Hespeler	L. E. Weaver	John Jardine
282	Lorne	Glencoe	L. H. Payne	J. Y. McLauchlan
283	a Eureka	Belleville	H. W. Ackerman	W. J. Diamond
284	St. John's	Brussels	M. Black	J. Wright
285	Seven Star	Alliston	W. J. Hill	Jas. A. Wright
286	Wingham	Wingham	W. H. Gurney	J. A. Morton
287	a Shuniah	Port Arthur	R. F. Rourke	Geo. G. Milne
289	a Doric	Lobo	A. C. Ferguson	P. L. Graham
290	a Leamington	Leamington	E. R. Bee	D. W. Anderson
291	a Dufferin	W. Flamboro'	Geo. Weatherston	Alfred Jones
292	a Robertson	King	Duncan McMurchy	Arch. McCallum
294	a Moore	Courtright	T. C. Creighton	R. G. Stewart
295	a Conestogo	Drayton	Robt. F. Aitchison	Calvert Scarr
296	a Temple	St. Catharines	W. A. MacLean	Currie A. Brown
297	Preston	Preston	Thos. Mulligan	Geo. W. Jupp
299	Victoria	Centreville	W. T. Brown	A. M. Bell
300	a Mt. Olivet	Thorndale	J. R. Armstrong	G. L. Guest
302	St. David's	St. Thomas'	Wm. H. Stapleton	J. C. Spencer
303	a Blyth	Blyth	John Grainger	J. M. Hamilton
304	a Minerva	Stroud	Angus Warnica	Jas. Black
305	Humber	Weston	W. J. Gardhouse	Walter Webster
306	Durham	Durham	Edward A. Hay	John Morrison
307	a Arkona	Arkona	Fred. C. Eastman	A. M. Thoman
309	a Morning Star	Carlow	E. T. Pfirmer	Bert C. Weir
311	a Blackwood	Woodbridge	Henry W. Ellis	H. N. Smith
312	a Pnyx	Wallaceburg	E. E. Cousins	D. A. Husband
313	a Clementi	Lakefield	J. H. Chant	A. E. Kennedy
314	a Blair	Palmerston	L. E. C. Thorne	H. B. Coleman
315	Clifford	Clifford	Donald Mackenzie	Wm. Graef
316	a Doric	Toronto	Geo. E. E. Stephenson	W. E. H. Whinton
318	Wilnot	Baden	Jas. R. Livingston	Walter Waugh
319	a Hiram	Hagersville	Thos. Nixon	S. C. Evans
320	a Chesterville	Chesterville	Jas. G. Craig	Geo. Elliott
321	a Walker	Acton	Thos. H. Cook	R. M. McDonald
322	a North Star	Owen Sound	John McQuaker	A. A. Parks
323	a Alvinston	Alvinston	H. A. Gilroy	W. E. Germain
324	a Temple	Hamilton	F. L. Grice	Thos. Pedler
325	Orono	Orono	Wm. G. McCulloch	Wm. Armstrong
326	a Zetland	Toronto	John Donogh	J. H. Macabe
327	Hammond	Wardsville	Wm. Connelly	H. A. Wilson
328	Ionie	Napier	Thos. E. Pike	W. L. Toohill
329	a King Solomon	Jarvis	O. J. Newell	Jas. Noble
330	a Corinthian	London	H. J. Luney	H. C. Simpson
331	Fordwich	Fordwich	Norman McLaughlin	A. C. Hutchison
332	Stratford	Stratford	J. A. Beatty	H. H. Dempsey
333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton	John Wright	F. H. W. Hickling
334	a Prince Arthur	Arthur	Peter Greig	R. T. Tindale

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Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With-drawn	Deaths	Suspen. N. P. D.	Suspen. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns
56	Wed on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2	1	1	1					95	24 June 1915
57	1st Tuesday	7	8	7	3	1		2				207	" "
58	2nd Tuesday	15	9	9				11				142	27 Dec. 1914
59	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	7	8	8		2						88	24 June 1915
60	1st Wednesday	15	13	10	3	2	1	6			1	142	" "
61	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2	2	1		2				40	27 Dec. 1914
62	2nd Monday	2	6	7			1	5			1	98	24 June 1915
63	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	2	4	6	4	1						96	" "
64	4th Tuesday	9	10	13	2	3	2	4				263	" "
65	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	4	4		1					1	73	" "
66	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	5	3	2	2					2	41	" "
67	1st Wednesday	14	20	18		2						277	" "
68	Fri. on or bef. F. M.		1	3		1						57	" "
69	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	1	1							72	27 Dec. 1914
70	4th Tuesday	6	8	6		5						129	24 June 1915
71	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	2		1					1	69	" "
72	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	3	8	1		1					133	" "
74	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	5	4	6	2	2		5			1	120	" "
76	4th Thursday	5	4	4		1						46	27 Dec. 1914
77	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	1			1					74	24 June 1915
79	Wed. on or bef. F. M.											98	24 June 1914
82	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	4	7	2	2			4			3	89	24 June 1915
83	Wed. aft. F. M.	4	3	3								152	" "
84	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	1	4	4	1			2			1	91	" "
85	Wed. on or aft. F. M.	6	6	6	1	2	1	1				82	" "
86	1st Tuesday	4	5	6		3	2				1	106	" "
87	1st Tuesday	7	21	26	3	1	1					317	" "
89	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	6	7	6				4			1	70	" "
90	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	8	6	3	9	5	8	5				152	" "
91	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	5	8	5		2	1					107	" "
92	Mon. on or bef. F. M.		1			3	1	2				30	" "
94	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	1	2	2								66	27 Dec. 1914
95	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	6	5	1							82	24 June 1915
96	Last Wednesday	3	8	5				3				134	" "
97	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	10	12	11	3							89	" "
99	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	4	2	1		1						57	" "
00	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	4	3	1	1						60	" "
02	3rd Thursday	16	12	19	3	9	3				4	317	27 Dec. 1914
03	Tue. on or aft. F. M.	4	4	8	1		1					84	24 June 1915
04	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	8	7	7		2		2			1	88	" "
05	4th Friday	3	6	7								111	" "
06	2nd Tuesday	4	2	2	1	3					2	67	" "
07	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	3	2							49	" "
09	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	5	8	8		1	1					54	" "
11	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	4		2	1				1	66	" "
12	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	8	10	12	6	4	5	3			5	121	" "
13	1st Tuesday	3	2	2		3	1					103	" "
14	Fri. aft. F. M.	16	15	16	4	1	3	2			1	110	" "
15	3rd Monday	2	1	2		1		3				59	" "
16	3rd Thursday	9	10	5		3	4	5			2	388	" "
18	Fri. on or aft. F. M.	2	3	1	1							27	" "
19	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	2	2				6			1	99	" "
20	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	4	4	6		2	2					98	27 Dec. 1914
21	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	10	9	9		1						85	24 June 1915
22	Wed. aft. F. M.	8	9	7	1	1	1	8				187	" "
23	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	3	4	2		1	1	2			1	73	27 Dec. 1914
24	2nd Tuesday	9	10	14			6		2			409	24 June 1915
25	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	1	1		1		3					46	" "
26	4th Friday	9	10	10	2	2	6					417	" "
27	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	2		3						28	" "
28	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	5	6	5								53	" "
29	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	2		2	2					69	" "
30	1st Tuesday	16	16	16	1	3					1	221	" "
31	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	2	4	3								57	" "
32	2nd Monday	5	6	9		1		3				211	27 Dec. 1914
33	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	5	3	2								72	24 June 1915
34	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	2	2	1	2	1	3				60	" "

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
336	aHighgate.....	Highgate.....	Chas. E. Thornton.....	Solomon Gosnell.....
337	aMyrtle.....	Port Robinson.....	A. B. Damude.....	Wm. Grisdale.....
338	aDufferin.....	Wellandport.....	Wm. T. Fralick.....	W. J. Steward.....
339	aOrient.....	Toronto.....	T. F. Anderson.....	F. H. Anderson.....
341	aBruce.....	Tiverton.....	Arch. J. Bell.....	D. A. McLaren.....
343	aGeorgina.....	Toronto.....	O. R. McGregor.....	Geo. Thompson.....
344	aMerrill.....	Dorchester.....	W. G. Patterson.....	J. W. Young.....
345	aNilestown.....	Nilestown.....	Chas. Jackson.....	A. W. Palmer.....
346	aOccident.....	Toronto.....	C. A. H. Clark.....	C. C. Wightman.....
347	aMercer.....	Fergus.....	John C. Templin.....	P. Perry.....
348	aGeorgian.....	Penetanguishene.....	Geo. A. Beck.....	R. D. Keefe.....
352	aGranite.....	Parry Sound.....	Samuel Harris.....	J. H. Knifton.....
354	aBrock.....	Cannington.....	A. C. Cummer.....	Jos. A. Kift.....
356	aRiver Park.....	Streetsville.....	W. C. Hubell.....	Leroy Montgomery.....
357	aWaterdown.....	Millgrove.....	A. S. Nicholson.....	P. D. Shorey.....
358	aDelaware Valley.....	Delaware.....	Wm. H. Acres.....	Alex. Colvin.....
359	aVittoria.....	Vittoria.....	R. G. Wyckoff.....	John Pow.....
360	aMuskoka.....	Bracebridge.....	J. W. Reid.....	F. P. Warne.....
361	aWaverley.....	Guelph.....	John Strachan.....	Jos. R. Hewitt.....
362	aMaple Leaf.....	Tara.....	R. J. Shannon.....	A. H. Monkman.....
364	aDufferin.....	Melbourne.....	Geo. J. Stevenson.....	E. L. Frost.....
367	aSt. George.....	Toronto.....	Elmer Ogilvie.....	R. C. Gallaher.....
368	aSalem.....	Brockville.....	F. J. Clutterbuck.....	E. A. Geiger.....
369	aMimico.....	Lambton Mills.....	A. T. Trethewy.....	T. L. H. McGuire.....
370	aHarmony.....	Delta.....	Hilliard Howard.....	J. W. Russell.....
371	aPrince of Wales.....	Ottawa.....	J. S. Virtue.....	E. G. Shane.....
372	aPalmer.....	Bridgeburg.....	Wm. Wharton.....	John A. North.....
373	aCopestone.....	Welland.....	J. J. Hall.....	Thos. Main.....
374	aKeene.....	Keene.....	James McNeil.....	A. D. Anderson.....
375	aLorne.....	Omeme.....	Cyrus K. Hart.....	W. J. Thorn.....
3	6 Unity.....	Huntsville.....	M. McClure.....	D. M. Grant.....
377	aLorne.....	Shelburne.....	Walter M. Berwick.....	Jno. R. Berwick.....
378	aKing Solomon's.....	London.....	B. E. Wilson.....	Wm. Nicholls.....
379	aMiddlesex.....	Bryanston.....	Wm. S. Deacon.....	Alex. Grant.....
380	aUnion.....	London.....	A. C. Nobbs.....	Jos. Ward.....
382	aDoric.....	Hamilton.....	John T. Truman.....	C. V. Emory.....
383	aHenderson.....	Winchester.....	Aaron Sweet.....	B. F. Smith.....
384	aAlpha.....	Toronto.....	Lorne Henderson.....	E. J. Voss.....
385	aSpry.....	Beeton.....	D. S. Morrow.....	Thos. Knowles.....
386	aMcColl.....	West Lorne.....	Harry Ripley.....	A. Knowles.....
387	aLansdowne.....	Lansdowne.....	Geo. Stevens.....	E. R. Bradley.....
388	aHenderson.....	Ilderton.....	John Cochran.....	J. H. Robson.....
389	aCrystal Fountain.....	N. Augusta.....	R. A. Johnston.....	J. B. Love.....
390	aFlorence.....	Florence.....	N. G. Sinclair.....	Jas. Beatty.....
391	aHoward.....	Ridgetown.....	R. W. Clark.....	J. A. Crawford.....
392	aHuron.....	Cambridge.....	W. A. Trusler.....	A. Trusler.....
393	aForest.....	Chesley.....	W. J. Fortune.....	J. J. Neelin.....
394	aKing Solomon's.....	Thamesford.....	W. F. Babb.....	W. W. Day.....
395	aParvaim.....	Comber.....	H. N. Collier.....	J. W. Brown.....
396	aCedar.....	Warton.....	C. A. Kenelring.....	S. E. Foster.....
397	aLeopold.....	Bridgeburg.....	Jas. Taylor.....	Duncan Warren.....
398	aVictoria.....	Kirkfield.....	Frank McGirr.....	E. Mosgrove.....
399	aMoffat.....	Harrietsville.....	L. D. Boyer.....	B. R. Barr.....
400	aOakville.....	Oakville.....	Wm. E. Featherstone.....	J. A. W. Robinson.....
401	aCraig.....	Deseronto.....	W. J. McMicking.....	Robt. Large.....
402	aCentral.....	Essex.....	S. B. Green.....	I. Middleton.....
403	aWindsor.....	Windsor.....	Wm. H. Snelgrove.....	A. N. Pettit.....
404	aLorne.....	Tamworth.....	S. M. Gilmour.....	Jas. Aylsworth.....
405	aMattawa.....	Mattawa.....	J. E. Fraser.....	J. A. Floyd.....
406	aSpry.....	Penelon Falls.....	R. N. Mitchell.....	H. J. Townley.....
408	aMurray.....	Beaverton.....	H. S. Cameron.....	W. C. Latimer.....
409	aGolden Rule.....	Gravenhurst.....	E. Clipsham.....	J. C. Davidson.....
410	aZeta.....	Toronto.....	E. A. Faulds.....	Walter Bryce.....
411	aRodney.....	Rodney.....	J. O. Shaw.....	J. B. Stinson.....
412	aKeystone.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	W. A. Simpson.....	E. I. Scott.....
413	aNaphtali.....	Tilbury.....	Robt. Shaw.....	W. A. Johnson.....
414	aPequonga.....	Kenora.....	David Kay.....	P. E. Baker.....

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No. on Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspen. N. P. D.	Suspen. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns
336	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2		1						62	27 Dec. 1914
337	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	5	6		1		2			3	55	24 June 1915
338	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	3								84	"
339	1st Tuesday	10	11	16		1	5	8			1	374	"
341	Tue. on or bef. F. M.											71	27 Dec. 1914
343	1st Saturday	17	15	24		1	3	1				411	24 June 1915
344	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	8	5	3	2							57	"
345	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	4	4								65	"
346	3rd Wednesday	14	26	26	6	5	5					411	"
347	1st Friday	6	3	1	1		1	4			1	84	"
348	1st Thursday	2	2	1	1	1						101	"
352	3rd Wednesday	12	8	7	1		2					169	"
354	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	4	3	2	1		1	2				64	"
356	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	8	16	17	2							81	"
357	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	6	3	1	1	1	1	12				125	"
358	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	4	6	5	1	2	1					70	"
359	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	1	1	1		2		1				56	"
360	1st Tuesday	2	2	2	2	1	1					89	"
361	4th Monday	32	32	29	10	12	2	5				241	"
362	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	3		1	1					61	"
364	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	5	1	3	1	4			1	50	"
367	1st Friday	8	11	11		4	3	4				409	"
368	2nd Monday	9	12	15	1	1	6	1				205	"
369	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	15	10	6	1							134	"
370	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	6	7	5	1							79	"
371	4th Friday	16	18	19	18	1	1	4			2	193	"
372	1st Tuesday	2	3	3		2	1					112	"
373	1st Thursday	9	11	6	1	2	1	2				139	"
374	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	2				2	1					36	"
375	1st Thursday	8	8	8	4	1						65	"
376	2nd Wednesday	3	3	3		3	2	5			1	117	"
377	1st Friday	3	4	4	4	3						81	"
378	2nd Thursday	7	11	10	1	1	3	1			3	244	"
379	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	3		1	1	2				44	27 Dec. 1914
380	2nd Monday	12	19	23	2		1	3				301	"
382	3rd Monday	10	17	16	6	3	5	10				404	24 June 1915
383	Fri. bef. F. M.	3	2	2		4		3				92	"
384	1st Thursday	19	26	26	2	2	2	5				501	"
385	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	4		2		4		2				77	"
386	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	3	1	1	2						104	"
387	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	1	1							57	"
388	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	4	2	1		1						46	"
389	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	4	2	2								58	27 Dec. 1914
390	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	5	4	1		1	1					48	"
391	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	14	11	11		2						115	"
392	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	6	6	5		1	2					68	24 June 1915
393	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	4	1		1	1					65	"
394	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	5	5	3	1	2	1	1				82	"
395	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	1		1	1	1	1					60	"
396	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	8	9	7	4			1	1			138	"
397	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	6	8	5		2	2	2				65	27 Dec. 1914
398	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2			1	1						46	24 June 1915
399	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	7	8	5		1						49	"
400	1st Tuesday	11	9	9	1	2	1					158	"
401	1st Tuesday	4	5	8	1		2					107	"
402	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	8	9	6	3	2	1					92	"
403	1st Friday	31	31	28	6	9	1	8			1	384	"
404	Friday bef. F. M.	2	2	3	1							71	"
405	1st Tuesday	5	7	7			3	1				119	"
406	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	2	3	3	1							79	"
408	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	3		2	2	1	1				61	"
409	2nd Monday	6	4	6		2		8			1	92	"
410	4th Friday	12	14	15	2	4	2					347	"
411	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	2		2						46	"
412	1st Tuesday	21	27	25	13	7	3	4	1			374	"
413	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	2	3		4	1					86	"
414	1st Wednesday	10	13	15	1	4	1	8			2	180	"

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
415	aFort William	Fort William	G. Hartley	C. E. Coombes
416	aLyn	Lyn	John Square	J. C. McCrady
417	aKeewatin	Keewatin	Alex. Kelly	A. J. Holmes
418	aMaxville	Maxville	P. A. McNaughton	T. W. Munroe
419	aBismark	Sarnia	Jos. Lester	D. Burgess
420	aNipissing	North Bay	Jas. A. Smith	E. McKee
421	aScott	Grand Valley	W. A. McClelland	W. L. Craig
422	aStar of the East	Bothwell	Henry Bloom	J. J. Vincent
423	aStrong	Sundridge	H. B. Andrew	W. I. Elliott
424	aDoric	Pickering	F. L. Bateman	A. F. Percy
425	aSt. Clair	Sombra	Alex. McRitchie	J. W. Burnham
426	aStanley	Toronto	Wm. L. Abernethy	Wm. Harris
427	aNickel	Sudbury	G. H. Davidson	Jos. Fowler
428	aFidelity	Port Perry	W. D. Munro	J. W. Crozier
429	aPort Elgin	Port Elgin	C. Currier	J. W. Dougherty
430	aAcacia	Toronto	H. G. French	W. E. Jarrett
431	aMoravian	Cargill	Jas. Alexander	Wm. J. Loughleen
432	aHanover	Hanover	W. D. Staples	Geo. A. Rozel
433	aBonnehchere	Eganville	J. C. McIntyre	R. G. Boland
434	aAlgonquin	Emsdale	C. L. Pearce	Jas. H. Metcalfe
435	aHavelock	Havelock	Robt. Anderson	Harrison Wing
436	aBurns	Hepworth	John White	V. W. Jones
437	aTuscan	Sarnia	E. B. Phelps	W. J. Barrie
438	aHarmony	Toronto	L. E. Bowerman	W. T. Martin
439	aAlexandria	Alexandria	H. L. Cheney	Donald Stewart
440	aArcadia	Minden	O. A. Pogue	C. S. Brownlee
441	aWestport	Westport	W. T. Breckenridge	Peter McLeod
442	aDymont	Thessalon	W. J. Bufty	D. K. McIntosh
443	aPowassan	Powassan	T. J. Williams	D. C. Bingham
444	aNitetis	Creemore	John Pengally	J. O. Newton
445	aLake of the Woods	Kenora	H. A. C. Machin	John H. Gibson
446	aGranite	Port Frances	W. J. Clark	F. H. Warner
447	aSturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	Rev. C. Piercy	W. C. Parliament
448	aXenophon	Wheatley	R. N. Epplert	D. G. Scott
449	aDundalk	Dundalk	H. C. Moody	A. E. Colgan
450	aHawkesbury	Hawkesbury	R. M. Rutherford	F. G. Robinson
451	aSomerville	Kinmount	H. L. Newman	E. A. Wellstood
452	aAvonmore	Avonmore	C. S. Nesbitt	S. Shaver
453	aRoyal	Port William	J. D. Forrest	F. C. Perry
454	aCorona	Burk's Falls	L. E. Gowing	J. W. Harris
455	aDoric	Little Current	C. M. Henning	O. L. Petch
456	aElma	Monkton	J. S. Ellacott	A. Chalmers
457	aCentury	Merlin	Rev. J. P. McQuarrie	John Wands
458	aWales	Wales	Wm. H. Empey	Geo. D. Colquhoun
459	aCobden	Cobden	I. D. Cotnam	H. S. Montgomery
460	aRideau	Seely's Bay	C. C. Gilbert	Hy. Willis
461	aTonic	Rainy River	R. W. Race	D. K. McGregor
462	aTemiscaming	New Liskeard	L. A. Kennedy	E. Monaghan
463	aNorth Entrance	Haliburton	G. H. McBrien	H. H. Clark
464	aKing Edward	Sunderland	C. O. Doble	R. A. Purvis
465	aCarleton	Carp	A. H. Acres	Geo. A. Moore
466	aCoronation	Elmvale	W. H. Ritchie	John McAulay
467	aTottenham	Tottenham	A. A. MacKenzie	F. W. Abbott
468	aPeel	Caledon East	R. G. Cowan	J. W. Phillips
469	aAlgoma	Sault Ste Marie	John M. Begg	H. F. Goodfellow
470	aVictoria	Victoria Harbor	John D. McPhee	E. B. Brown
471	aKing Edward VII	Chippawa	N. L. Weaver	G. J. Moyer
472	aGore Bay	Gore Bay	F. W. Baxter	C. C. Platt
473	aThe Beaches	Toronto	Geo. L. Gardiner	S. J. Manchester
474	aVictoria	Toronto	J. E. Weatherill	G. H. Cooper
475	aDundurn	Hamilton	Jas. Hastings	G. H. Lanigan
476	aCorinthian	North Gower	John Kerr	J. H. Cryderman
477	aHarding	Woodville	F. S. Leas	A. E. Staback
478	aMilverton	Milverton	Wm. J. Smith	W. J. Zoeger
479	aRussell	Russell	John Harrington	W. H. Holmes
480	aWilliamsburg	Williamsburg	E. J. Barkley	J. A. Barkley
481	aCorinthian	Toronto	Jas. F. Murray	F. E. Ansell

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415	2nd Wednesday	17	21	19	4	1	5	13	1		1	237	24 June 1915
416	Tue. on or bef. F. M	2	4	3	2							51	" "
417	1st Friday	2	4	4		1		6				91	" "
418	2nd Friday	5	5	6		6						77	" "
419	2nd Monday	4	2	4			1					70	" "
420	2nd Monday	10	13	14	3	4	2					256	" "
421	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	1	2	5	1	3	1					90	" "
422	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	1	3	3	1							68	" "
423	3rd Monday	5	5	5		3	1	2				69	" "
424	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	3	4	3			1	1				51	" "
425	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	4	5		1	2					89	" "
426	1st Tuesday	6	10	11		1	1	4			1	329	" "
427	1st Wednesday	17	15	16	1	2	2					232	27 Dec. 1914
428	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	7	4	4		1	1					136	24 June 1915
429	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	1	1	1	1					56	" "
430	3rd Monday	11	16	21	4	3	2	7				200	" "
431	Fri. on or aft. F. M.	4	5	5								54	" "
432	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	8	8	4		1						69	" "
433	2nd Monday	3	1	1			1					66	27 Dec. 1914
434	Tue. on or aft. F. M.	7	7	9		1					1	109	24 June 1915
435	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	4	5	3		1	3	13				124	" "
436	Tue. on or aft. F. M.	3	3	3			2					39	" "
437	3rd Wednesday	20	22	24	6	1	3					247	" "
438	4th Monday	20	26	27	4	8	5	10			1	436	" "
439	1st Tuesday	4	4	3	1							68	" "
440	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2	2	2		2	1					63	" "
441	1st Friday	2	2	2			1					63	" "
442	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	6	7	8		2	2				1	104	" "
443	2nd Friday	4	3	7		1	1				1	81	27 Dec. 1914
444	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	4	4				1	1			1	78	24 June 1915
445	2nd Wednesday	4	4	4	1							53	" "
446	1st Tuesday	4	7	8		2		2				94	" "
447	2nd Monday	4	8	8	1	6	1	1				93	" "
448	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	2	1	2	1	5						44	" "
449	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	2	1	3								54	" "
450	Thursday bef. F. M.	2	3	2	1	1						68	" "
451	Wed. on or bef. F. M.		2	5			2	1				59	" "
452	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	4	4	6								102	" "
453	1st Wednesday	2	7	6	2	3	3				2	143	" "
454	1st Monday	5	6	7		2	2	1				73	" "
455	2nd Tuesday	7	6	6		2		5				87	" "
456	Thur. on or bef. F. M.		1	1	2	1						55	" "
457	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	9	8	9		3		3				41	" "
458	Mon. or or bef. F. M.	3	5	5		2						88	" "
459	2nd Tuesday	2	2	2								91	" "
460	Thur. on or bef. F. M	1	2	2								67	27 Dec. 1914
461	1st Thursday	2	2	2								93	24 June 1915
462	3rd Thursday	13	11	10	3	5	1	8				186	" "
463	4th Friday	7	5	2	2							45	" "
464	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2	1	1	1	2		1				63	" "
465	Fri. on or bef. F. M.					5	1					54	" "
466	1st Friday	2			1							72	" "
467	Mon. on or aft. F. M	8	5	4	2	2		7				60	" "
468	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2	1	4		1					1	75	" "
469	2nd Monday	15	14	16		2	4					192	" "
470	Wed. on or bef. F. M	22	19	18	3	2	1	4			1	120	" "
471	1st Wednesday	1	1	1		1						54	" "
472	1st Wednesday	3	2	1	1	1						75	" "
473	2nd Friday	9	7	10	5	4	5	1				217	" "
474	3rd Tuesday	17	12	15	1	2						245	" "
475	3rd Saturday	22	28	27	1	2	1	3			1	210	" "
476	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	6	5	8		1					1	69	" "
477	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	4	3	3		1						54	" "
478	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	2	2			1						69	27 Dec. 1914
479	Mon. on or aft. F. M.	10	9	9	1	1						96	24 June 1915
480	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	6		3	2		1	3			1	45	" "
481	4th Monday	14	13	10		3						125	27 Dec. 1914

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1915,

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
482	aBancroft.....	Bancroft.....	Alex. T. Embury.....	J. A. Eby.....
483	aGranton.....	Granton.....	T. S. Hill.....	R. T. Raycroft.....
484	aGolden Star.....	Dryden.....	D. W. Scott.....	J. M. Adams.....
485	aHaileybury.....	Haileybury.....	Harry Lockington.....	F. W. Deer.....
486	aSilver.....	Cobalt.....	H. G. Stewart.....	C. N. Thompson.....
487	aPenewobikong.....	Blind River.....	J. M. Robb.....	F. Y. W. Brathwaite.....
488	aKing Edward.....	Harrow.....	Alonzo Bush.....	G. E. Johnston.....
489	aOsiris.....	Smith's Falls.....	Wm. T. Ferguson.....	H. A. Ross.....
490	aHiram.....	Markdale.....	R. M. Phalen.....	H. C. Duff.....
491	aCardinal.....	Cardinal.....	John A. Locke.....	Wm. Clark.....
492	aKarnak.....	Coldwater.....	C. G. Millard.....	Howard Gover.....
493	aSt. Marys.....	St. Marys.....	Thos. C. Grainger.....	T. L. Sinclair.....
494	aRiverdale.....	Toronto.....	J. W. Malcolm.....	S. Hunt.....
495	aElectric.....	Hamilton.....	Roy McIntosh.....	W. F. Montague.....
496	aUniversity.....	Toronto.....	A. D. LePan.....	P. W. Rogers.....
497	aSt. Andrew's.....	Arden.....	Harvey Loyst.....	G. M. Kirk.....
498	aKing George V.....	Coboconk.....	R. T. Robertson.....	F. C. Fielding.....
499	aPort Arthur.....	Port Arthur.....	C. F. Myers.....	A. Rome.....
500	aRose.....	Windsor.....	D. M. Eagle.....	M. P. McMaster.....
501	aConnaught.....	Mimico.....	Jay Barnum.....	J. W. English.....
502	aCoronation.....	Smithville.....	J. S. Davis.....	J. H. Patterson.....
503	aInwood.....	Inwood.....	Johnstone Vance.....	S. L. Aylesworth.....
504	aOtter.....	Lombardy.....	Geo. J. House.....	Clark Nicholls.....
505	aLynden.....	Lynden.....	Robt. Clark.....	R. A. Thompson.....
506	aPorcupine.....	Porcupine.....	C. M. Piercy.....	F. W. Graham.....
507	aElk Lake.....	Elk Lake.....	Albert Skill.....	E. S. Somerville.....
508	aOzias.....	Brantford.....	Wm. B. Seace.....	F. W. Benedict.....
509	aTwiu City.....	Berlin.....	W. E. Finnegan.....	Geo. DeKleinhans.....
510	aParkdale.....	Toronto.....	J. M. Palmer.....	Arthur Fry.....
511	aConnaught.....	W. Fort William.....	A. R. Mills.....	J. B. Hardy.....
512	aMalone.....	Sutton West.....	Wm. M. Oliver.....	O. J. Silver.....
513	aCorinthian.....	Hamilton.....	F. H. Nairn.....	J. R. Croft.....
514	aSt. Albans.....	Toronto.....	F. W. Harcourt.....	H. Leeson.....
515	aReba.....	Brantford.....	W. R. McCormack.....	D. E. Russell.....
516	aEnterprise.....	Beachburg.....	Albert Munro.....	P. C. Creeggan.....
517	aHazeldean.....	Hazeldean.....	John A. Cummings.....	R. H. Grant.....
518	aSioux Lookout.....	Sioux Lookout.....	T. W. Palos.....	J. E. Cole.....
519	aOnondaga.....	Onondaga.....	R. J. Cranston.....	A. Van Sickle.....
520	aCoronati.....	Toronto.....	C. R. Sneath.....	W. M. Miskelley.....
521	aOntario.....	Windsor.....	C. W. Cadwell.....	J. R. Thompson.....
522	aMt. Sinai.....	Toronto.....	H. C. Scully.....	C. E. Garrard.....
523	aRoyal Arthur.....	Peterborough.....	H. R. H. Kenner.....	W. H. Walkey.....
524	aMississauga.....	Port Credit.....	Rev. Henry Earle.....	W. G. Price.....
525	aTemple.....	Toronto.....	F. G. I. Whetter.....	G. G. Elliott.....
526	aIonic.....	Westboro'.....	Thos. Saunders.....	A. H. Holloway.....
527	aEspanola.....	Espanola.....	LeBaron Dibblee.....	.....
UD	aGolden Beaver.....	Timmins.....	Chas. G. Williams.....	H. E. Moorems.....
UD	aMyra.....	Komoka.....	Arch. B. Smith.....	W. A. Caverfull.....
UD	aCochrane.....	Cochrane.....	W. S. Carter.....	J. G. Yates.....

AND LAST RETURNS RECEIVED—Continued.

No. of Lode	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspen. N. P. D.	Suspen. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns
482	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	17	13	10			1				1	107	24 June 1915
483	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	6	6	5		1						54	
484	2nd Tuesday	3	5	6	1	2	1					78	27 Dec. 1914
485	1st Thursday	14	14	12	2	6	1	7				176	24 June 1915
486	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	13	10	19	1	6	2	8				193	
487	2nd Monday	1	2	4		2						60	
488	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	24	22	22	1	2		1			1	82	
489	Friday aft. F. M.	4	4	3	1							84	
490	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	3	3									38	
491	2nd Friday	2	2	4		2						57	
492	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	4	6	2	1							65	
493	4th Monday	7	8	12	2	1						74	
494	4th Friday	10	12	18		7		4				220	
495	3rd Wednesday	16	19	25	5	4	3	4				226	
496	4th Thursday	11	9	9	4	2						145	
497	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	5	2	3								39	
498	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	2	1		1					43	27 Dec. 1914
499	2nd Monday	12	16	19	7	3						144	24 June 1915
500	3rd Tuesday	6	10	7	3							69	
501	2nd Thursday	15	11	11	1	1						84	
502	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	10	10	8	1							49	
503	Mon. on or bef. F. M.	5	4	3	1		1					44	
504	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	3	3	2	1		1					39	
505	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	5	4	7	1							49	
506	1st Thursday	23	24	21	1			6			1	122	
507	2nd Friday	15	12	6		1						84	
508	2nd Wednesday	9	6	5	1	1						45	
509	4th Friday	9	10	13	1		2					68	
510	2nd Friday	7	13	11	3							85	
511	3rd Monday	5	7	6	1							45	27 Dec. 1914
512	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	9	13	11	1	1					1	54	24 June 1915
513	4th Thursday	32	25	13	7			1				98	
514	3rd Monday	25	26	37	1	3	2					146	
515	2nd Thursday	14	13	12	2		1					66	
516	1st Monday	11	12	8								41	
517	Wed. on or bef. F. M.	10	10	9	8		1					40	
518	1st Monday	21	19	25	3	3						63	
519	Fri. on or bef. F. M.	2	1	6	3							44	
520	2nd Tuesday	45	72	94		3						192	
521	1st and 3rd Monday	23	26	20								70	
522	2nd Tuesday	11	14	15		2						37	
523	1st Monday	11	9	2	6	1						42	
524	Thur. on or bef. F. M.	9	5	3								30	
525	4th Tuesday	20	15	10	7							45	
526	2nd Wednesday	14	8	8								54	
527	1st Wednesday	2	1									21	
UD	2nd Wednesday											36	
UD	Wed. on or bef. F. M.											14	
UD	2nd Friday											26	
		3243	3228	3298	658	755	509	674	9	3	145	58983	

LIST OF LODGES—BY DISTRICTS

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1 (27).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. John W. Draper, Chatham.

No. 34, Thistle	Amherstburg	No. 390, Florence	Florence
No. 41, St. George	Kingsville	No. 391, Howard	Ridgetown
No. 46, Wellington	Chatham	No. 395, Parvain	Comber
No. 47, Great Western	Windsor	No. 402, Central	Essex
No. 245, Tecumseh	Thamesville	No. 403, Windsor	Windsor
No. 255, Sydenham	Dresden	No. 411, Rodney	Rodney
No. 267, Parthenon	Chatham	No. 413, Naphtali	Tilbury
No. 274, Kent	Blenheim	No. 422, Star of the E	Bothwell
No. 282, Lorne	Glencoe	No. 448, Xenophon	Wheatley
No. 290, Leamington	Leamington	No. 457, Century	Merlin
No. 312, Pnyx	Wallaceburg	No. 488, King Edward	Harrow
No. 327, Hammond	Wardsville	No. 500, Rose	Windsor
No. 336, Highgate	Highgate	No. 521, Ontario	Windsor
No. 386, McColl	West Lorne		

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2 (21).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Pearson P. Winn, Alvinston.

No. 56, Victoria	Sarnia	No. 307, Arkona	Arkona
No. 81, St. John's	Mt. Brydges	No. 323, Alvinston	Alvinston
No. 83, Beaver	Strathroy	No. 328, Ionic	Napier
No. 116, Cassia	Thedford	No. 364, Dufferin	Melbourne
No. 153, Burns,	Wyoming	No. 392, Huron	Cambridge
No. 158, Alexandra	Oil Springs	No. 397, Leopold	Brigden
No. 194, Petrolia	Petrolia	No. 419, Bismarck	Sarnia
No. 238, Havelock	Watford	No. 425, St. Clair	Sombra
No. 260, Washington	Petrolia	No. 437, Tuscan	Sarnia
No. 263, Forest	Forest	No. 503, Inwood	Inwood
No. 294, Moore	Courtright		

LONDON DISTRICT No. 3 (27).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Geo. R. Poad, London.

No. 20, St. John's	London	No. 300, Mount Olivet	Thorndale
No. 42, St. George's	London	No. 302, St. David's	St. Thomas
No. 44, St. Thomas	St. Thomas	No. 330, Corinthian	London
No. 64, Kilwinning	London	No. 344, Merrill	Dorchester Sta.
No. 94, St. Mark's	Port Stanley	No. 345, Nilestown	Nilestown
No. 107, St. Paul's	Lambeth	No. 358, Delaware, Val.	Delaware
No. 120, Warren	Fingal	No. 378, King Solomon's	London
No. 140, Malahide	Aylmer	No. 379, Middlesex	Bryanston
No. 171, Prince of Wales	Lawrence	No. 380, Union	London
No. 190, Belmont	Belmont	No. 388, Henderson	Ilderton
No. 195, Tuscan	London	No. 394, King Solomon	Thamesford
No. 209a, St. John's	London	No. 399, Moffatt	Harrietsville
No. 232, Cameron	Dutton	U. D., Myra	Komoka
No. 289, Doric	Lobo		

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4 (19).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. H. W. Baker, Stratford.

No. 33, Maitland	Goderich	No. 233, Doric	Parkhill
No. 73, St. James'	St. Marys	No. 303, Blyth	Blyth
No. 84, Clinton	Clinton	No. 309, Morning Star	Carlow
No. 133, Lebanon Forest	Exeter	No. 318, Wilmot	Baden
No. 141, Tudor	Mitchell	No. 332, Stratford	Stratford
No. 144, Tecumseh	Stratford	No. 456, Elma	Monkton
No. 154, Irving	Lucan	No. 478, Milverton	Milverton
No. 170, Britannia	Seaford	No. 483, Granton	Granton
No. 205, New Dominion, N. Hamburg		No. 493, St. Mary's	St. Marys
No. 224, Zurich	Hensall		

NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5 (19).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. J. Loughleen, Cargill.

No. 93, Northern Light, Kincardine	No. 331, Fordwich	Fordwich
No. 131, St. Lawrence	No. 341, Bruce	Tiverton
No. 162, Forest	No. 362, Maple Leaf	Tara
No. 184, Old Light	No. 393, Forest	Chesley
No. 197, Saugeen	No. 396, Cedar	Warton
No. 225, Bernard	No. 429, Port Elgin	Port Elgin
No. 235, Aldworth	No. 431, Moravian	Cargill
No. 276, Teeswater	No. 432, Hanover	Hanover
No. 284, St. John's	No. 436, Burns	Hepworth
No. 286, Wingham		Wingham

WILSON DISTRICT No. 6 (22).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Bertrand Blair, Woodstock.

No. 10, Norfolk	No. 149, Erie	Port Dover
No. 37, King Hiram	No. 174, Walsingham	Port Rowan
No. 43, King Solomon's, Woodstock	No. 178, Plattsville	Plattsville
No. 68, St. John's	No. 181, Oriental	Port Burwell
No. 76, Oxford	No. 193, Scotland	Scotland
No. 78, King Hiram	No. 217, Frederick	Delhi
No. 82, St. John's	No. 237, Vienna	Vienna
No. 104, St. John's	No. 250, Thistle	Embro
No. 106, Burford	No. 259, Springfield	Springfield
No. 108, Blenheim	No. 261, Oak Branch	Innerkip
No. 113, Wilson	No. 359, Vittoria	Vittoria

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7 (22).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Peter Perry, Fergus.

No. 72, Alma	No. 279, New Hope	Hespeler
No. 151, The Grand River	No. 295, Conestogo	Drayton
No. 172, Ayr	No. 297, Preston	Preston
No. 180, Speed	No. 306, Durham	Durham
No. 200, St. Alban's	No. 314, Blair	Palmerston
No. 203, Irvine	No. 315, Clifford	Clifford
No. 216, Harris	No. 334, Prince Arthur	Arthur
No. 257, Galt	No. 347, Mercer	Fergus
No. 258, Guelph	No. 361, Waverley	Guelph
No. 262, Harriston	No. 421, Scott	Grand Valley
No. 271, Wellington	No. 509, Twin City	Berlin

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8 (28).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Franklin Hanna, Brantford.

No. 6, The Barton	No. 272, Seymour	Ancaster
No. 27, Strict Observance	No. 291, Dufferin	West Flamboro
No. 40, St. John's	No. 321, Walker	Acton West
No. 45, Brant	No. 324, Temple	Hamilton
No. 57, Harmony	No. 357, Waterdown	Millgrove
No. 61, Acacia	No. 382, Doric	Hamilton
No. 62, St. Andrew's	No. 400, Oakville	Oakville
No. 100, Valley	No. 475, Dundurn	Hamilton
No. 121, Doric	No. 495, Electric	Hamilton
No. 135, St. Clair	No. 505, Lynden	Lynden
No. 165, Burlington	No. 508, Ozias	Brantford
No. 166, Wentworth	No. 513, Corinthian	Hamilton
No. 219, Credit	No. 515, Reha	Brantford
No. 243, St. George	No. 519, Onondaga	Onondaga

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9 (14).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. H. Tudhope, Orillia.

No. 79, Simcoe	No. 249, Caledonian	Midland
No. 90, Manito	No. 266, Northern Light	Stayner
No. 96, Corinthian	No. 304, Minerva	Stroud
No. 137, Pythagoras	No. 348, Georgian	Penetanguishne
No. 192, Orillia	No. 466, Coronation	Elmvale
No. 230, Kerr	No. 470, Victoria	Victoria Harbour
No. 234, Beaver	No. 492, Karnak	Coldwater

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9a (11).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Thos. A. Blakely, Flesherton.

No. 88, St. George's	Owen Sound	No. 385, Spry	Beeton
No. 236, Manitoba	Cookstown	No. 444, Nitetis	Creemore
No. 285, Seven Star	Alliston	No. 449, Dundalk	Dundalk
No. 322, North Star	Owen Sound	No. 467, Tottenham	Tottenham
No. 333, Prince Arthur	Flesherton	No. 490, Hiram	Markdale
No. 377, Lorne	Shelburne		

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10 (23).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Chas. S. Ross, Port Robinson.

No. 2, Niagara	Niagara	No. 254, Clifton	Niagara Falls
No. 7, Union	Grimsby	No. 277, Seymour	Port Dalhousie
No. 15, St. George's	St. Catharines	No. 296, Temple	St. Catharines
No. 32, Amity	Dunnville	No. 319, Hiram	Hagersville
No. 35, St. John's	Cayuga	No. 329, King Solomon	Jarvis
No. 103, Maple Leaf	St. Catharines	No. 337, Myrtle	Port Robinson
No. 105, St. Mark's	Niagara Falls	No. 338, Dufferin	Wellandport
No. 115, Ivy	Beamsville	No. 372, Palmer	Bridgeburg
No. 168, Merritt	Welland	No. 373, Copestone	Welland
No. 169, McNab	Port Colborne	No. 471, King Edward VII.,	Chippawa
No. 185, Enniskillen	York	No. 502, Coronation	Smithville
No. 221, Mountain	Thorold		

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 11 (30).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Jas. R. Fallis, Brampton.

No. 22, King Solomon's	Toronto	No. 356, River Park	Streetsville
No. 54, Vaughan	Maple	No. 369, Mimico	Lambton Mills
No. 65, Rehoboam	Toronto	No. 384, Alpha	Toronto
No. 86, Wilson	Toronto	No. 426, Stanley	Toronto
No. 98, True Blue	Bolton	No. 438, Harmony	Toronto
No. 118, Union	Schomberg	No. 468, Peel	Caledon East
No. 156, York	Toronto	No. 474, Victoria	Toronto
No. 229, Ionic	Brampton	No. 481, Corinthian	Toronto
No. 247, Ashlar	Toronto	No. 496, University	Toronto
No. 265, Patterson	Thornhill	No. 501, Connaught	Mimico
No. 292, Robertson,	King	No. 510, Parkdale	Toronto
No. 305, Humber	Weston	No. 514, St. Alban's	Toronto
No. 311, Blackwood	Woodbridge	No. 522, Mount Sinai	Toronto
No. 326, Zetland	Toronto	No. 524, Mississauga	Port Credit
No. 346, Occident	Toronto	No. 525, Temple	Toronto

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11a (24).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. H. Legge, Jefferson.

No. 16, St. Andrew's	Toronto	No. 316, Doric	Toronto
No. 23, Richmond	Richmond Hill	No. 339, Orient	Toronto
No. 25, Ionic	Toronto	No. 343, Georgina	Toronto
No. 75, St. John's	Toronto	No. 354, Brock	Cannington
No. 87, Markham Union, Markham		No. 367, St. George	Toronto
No. 97, Sharon	Queensville	No. 410, Zeta	Toronto
No. 99, Tuscan	Newmarket	No. 424, Doric	Pickering
No. 129, Rising Sun	Aurora	No. 430, Acacia	Toronto
No. 136, Richardson	Stouffville	No. 473, The Beaches	Toronto
No. 218, Stevenson	Toronto	No. 494, Riverdale	Toronto
No. 220, Zeredatha	Uxbridge	No. 512, Malone	Sutton Wes
No. 269, Brougham Union	Claremont	No. 520, Coronati	Toronto

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12 (16).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. A. T. Lawler, Whitby.

No. 30, Composite	Whitby	No. 408, Murray	Beaverton
No. 39, Mount Zion	Brooklin	No. 428, Fidelity	Port Perry
No. 77, Faithful Brethren, Lindsay		No. 440, Arcadia	Minden
No. 139, Lebanon	Oshawa	No. 451, Somerville	Kinmount
No. 268, Verulam	Bobcaygeon	No. 463, North Entrance, Haliburton	
No. 270, Cedar	Oshawa	No. 464, King Edward	Sunderland
No. 398, Victoria	Kirkfield	No. 477, Harding	Woodville
No. 406, The Spry	Fenelon F's	No. 498, King George V.....	Coboconk

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13 (20).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. John D. Shurie, Wellington.

No. 11, Moira	Belleville	No. 126, Golden Rule.....	Campbelford
No. 17, St. John's	Cobourg	No. 127, Franck	Frankford
No. 18, Prince Edward	Pictou	No. 161, Percy	Warkworth
No. 29, United	Brighton	No. 164, Star in the East, Wellington	
No. 38, Trent	Trenton	No. 215, Lake	Ameliasburg
No. 48, Madoc	Madoc	No. 222, Marmora	Marmora
No. 50, Consecon	Consecon	No. 239, Tweed	Tweed
No. 69, Stirling	Stirling	No. 283, Eureka	Belleville
No. 91, Colborne	Colborne	No. 401, Craig	Deseronto
Bo. 123, The Belleville	Belleville	No. 482, Bancroft	Bancroft

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14 (16).

D.D.C.M.—R. W. Bro. John H. Birkett, Kingston.

No. 3, The Anc't St. John's, Kingst'n		No. 212, Elysian	Garden Island
No. 9, Union	Napanee	No. 228, Prince Arthur	Odessa
No. 92, Cataraqui	Kingston	No. 253, Minden	Kingston
No. 109, Albion	Harrowsmith	No. 299, Victoria	Centreville
No. 119, Maple Leaf	Bath	No. 404, Lorne	Tamworth
No. 146, Prince of Wales	Newburgh	No. 441, Westport	Westport
No. 157, Simpson	Newboro'	No. 460, Rideau	Seeley's Bay
No. 201, Leeds	Gananoque	No. 497, St. Andrew's	Arden

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15 (16).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. H. Mowat, Brockville.

No. 5, Sussex	Brockville	No. 242, Macoy	Mallorytown
No. 14, True Britons	Perth	No. 368, Salem	Brockville
No. 24, St. Francis	Smith's Falls	No. 370, Harmony	Delta
No. 28, Mount Zion	Kemptville	No. 387, Lansdowne	Lansdowne
No. 55, Merrickville	Merrickville	No. 389, Crystal Fountain, N. Augusta	
No. 74, St. James'	South Augusta	No. 416, Lyn	Lyn
No. 85, Rising Sun	Athens	No. 489, Osiris	Smith's Falls
No. 110, Central	Prescott	No. 504, Otter	Lombardy

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16 (22).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Henry Cox, Renfrew.

No. 52, Dalhousie	Ottawa	No. 231, Lodge of Fidelity.....	Ottawa
No. 58, Doric	Ottawa	No. 264, Chaudiere	Ottawa
No. 63, St. John's	Carleton Place	No. 371, Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa
No. 122, Renfrew	Renfrew	No. 433, Bonnechere	Eganville
No. 128, Pembroke	Pembroke	No. 459, Cobden	Cobden
No. 147, Mississippi	Almonte	No. 465, Carleton	Carp
No. 148, Civil Service	Ottawa	No. 476, Corinthian	North Gower
No. 159, Goodwood	Richmond	No. 479, Russell	Russell
No. 177, The Builders'	Ottawa	No. 516, Enterprise	Beachburg
No. 196, Madawaska	Arnprior	No. 517, Hazeldean	Hazeldean
No. 209, Evergreen	Lanark	No. 526, Ionic	Westboro'

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17 (12).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. E. E. Wood, Fort William.

No. 287, Shuniah	Port Arthur	No. 453, Royal	Fort William
No. 414, Pequonga	Kenora	No. 461, Ionic	Rainy River
No. 415, Fort William, Fort William		No. 484, Golden Star	Dryden
No. 417, Keewatin	Keewatin	No. 499, Port Arthur	Port Arthur
No. 445, Lake of the Woods.....	Kenora	No. 511, Connaught, W. Fort William	
No. 446, Granite	Fort Frances	No. 518, Sioux Lookout, Sioux Lookout	

NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18 (18).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. N. J. McCubbin, North Bay.

No. 405, Mattawa	Mattawa	No. 472, Gore Bay	Gore Bay
No. 412, Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	No. 485, Haileybury	Haileybury
No. 420, Nipissing	North Bay	No. 486, Silver	Cobalt
No. 427, Nickel	Sudbury	No. 487, Penewobikong, Blind River	
No. 442, Dymont	Thessalon	No. 506, Porcupine	Porcupine
No. 447, Sturgeon Falls, Sturgeon Falls		No. 507, Elk Lake	Elk Lake
No. 455, Doric	Little Current	No. 527, Espanola.....	Espanola
No. 462, Temiscaming, New Liskeard		U.D., Golden Beaver	Timmins
No. 469, Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie	U.D., Cochrane.....	Cochrane

MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19 (8).

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Robt. McConkey, Kearney

No. 352, Granite	Parry Sound	No. 423, Strong	Sundridge
No. 360, Muskoka	Bracebridge	No. 434, Algonquin	Emsdale
No. 376, Unity	Huntsville	No. 443, Powassan	Powassan
No. 409, Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	No. 454, Corona	Burk's Falls

OTONABEE DISTRICT No. 20 (14).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Hy. T. Andrews, Havelock.

No. 26, Ontario	Port Hope	No. 223, Norwood	Norwood
No. 31, Jerusalem	Bowmanville	No. 313, Clementi	Lakefield
No. 66, Durham	Newcastle	No. 325, Orono	Orono
No. 101, Corinthian	Peterborough	No. 374, Keene	Keene
No. 114, Hope	Port Hope	No. 375, Lorne	Omeme
No. 145, J. B. Hall	Millbrook	No. 435, Havelock	Havelock
No. 155, Peterborough	Peterborough	No. 523, Royal Arthur ..	Peterborough

EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21 (16).

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. M. W. Shepherd, Bradley Creek.

No. 21a, St. John's	Vankleek Hill	No. 383, Henderson	Winchester
No. 125, Cornwall	Cornwall	No. 418, Maxville	Maxville
No. 142, Excelsior	Morrisburg	No. 439, Alexandria	Alexandria
No. 143, Friendly Brothers, Iroquois		No. 450, Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury
No. 186, Plantagenet	Riceville	No. 452, Avonmore	Avonmore
No. 207, Lancaster	Lancaster	No. 458, Wales	Wales
No. 256, Farran's Point	Aultsville	No. 480, Williamsburg ..	Williamsburg
No. 320, Chesterville	Chesterville	No. 491, Cardinal	Cardinal

RECAPITULATION.

Erie District.....	No. 1.....	27 Lodges
St. Clair District.....	No. 2.....	21 Lodges
London District.....	No. 3.....	27 Lodges
South Huron District.....	No. 4.....	19 Lodges
North Huron District.....	No. 5.....	19 Lodges
Wilson District.....	No. 6.....	22 Lodges
Wellington District.....	No. 7.....	22 Lodges
Hamilton District.....	No. 8.....	25 Lodges
Georgian District.....	No. 9.....	14 Lodges
Georgian District.....	No. 9a.....	11 Lodges
Niagara District.....	No. 10.....	23 Lodges
Toronto West District.....	No. 11.....	30 Lodges
Toronto East District.....	No. 11a.....	24 Lodges
Ontario District.....	No. 12.....	16 Lodges
Prince Edward District.....	No. 13.....	20 Lodges
Frontenac District.....	No. 14.....	16 Lodges
St. Lawrence District.....	No. 15.....	16 Lodges
Ottawa District.....	No. 16.....	22 Lodges
Algoma District.....	No. 17.....	12 Lodges
Nipissing District.....	No. 18.....	18 Lodges
Muskoka District.....	No. 19.....	8 Lodges
Otonabee District.....	No. 20.....	14 Lodges
Eastern District.....	No. 21.....	16 Lodges

SUSPENSIONS N.P.D. 1914-1915.

No. 5—Fred. McLennan. 6—A. Aldridge, Theo. Hartwick, W. H. Wilson, Sol. Zimmerman. 11—John Cornelius, R. Garrison, F. R. Greatrix, J. G. Lindsay, R. E. McEthern, Jno. S. G. Phippen, R. E. Rawlins, Jas. Thompson, S. H. Thompson. 15—C. H. Wilson, G. B. Mittleburgher, H. L. Simpson, G. A. Wand, C. A. Donnelly, Jas. A. Pringle, Geo. Beaumont, Fred. W. Wilson. 16—Harry J. Johnstone, Jno. W. Morris, Jno. L. Papineau. 18—Herbert R. Barton, Able E. Johnson. 20—F. Thompson, Thos. Knowles, Robt. Gilmore, S. F. S. Gale, E. A. Crowe, W. M. Burton. 22—Wm. Flinn, C. W. Sherridan, Peter Thompson, Chas. Weldon, Harry C. Myers, H. E. Robins, Wm. R. Kendrie. 24—Chas. Coghlan. 27—J. H. McDougall, J. W. Bridgett, Fred. W. Hodgins. 29—Walter Creswick, J. F. Langdon, Lewis E. Nix. 37—Wm. Rigney. 40—Chas. P. Bolton, W. H. Cummings, Geo. Cann, W. A. Moshier, Jno. W. Mayo, J. McIlwraith, A. E. Almas. 42—Chas. J. Ruttan, F. C. Crawford, Wilson Woods. 44—Lincoln R. Hugh, Geo. E. Duncan. 45—N. Gibbie, N. Van Sickle, E. D. Taylor, W. B. Johnson, J. E. Griffiths, F. W. Heyd, W. H. Johnson, H. L. Burtch, R. M. Roddick, Wm. Grieron, C. C. Fairchild, E. D. Henwood, F. C. Johnson, G. W. Thomas, G. W. Morris. 46—Garrett W. Boyd, Arthur Campbell, Hy. Hollings, W. A. Winterstien. 50—Gilbert R. Goodmurphy. 52—H. O. Bombas, O. E. Culbert, E. P. Dey, F. A. Hibbard, J. W. Houghton, Geo. H. Jones, Geo. H. Megloughlin, John A. MacDougall, Clifford M. Parker, Th. Richardson. 54—Wm. H. Burns, Arch McFadyen. 58—H. S. Johnston. 61—Geo. Goddard, W. E. Cummings, Geo. M. Hillman, Stansby Johnston, H. C. Sache. 64—R. Preston, Benj. E. Taylor, J. E. Fawkes. 66—Frank Bennett, W. H. B. Dickinson, Chas. M. Eddy. 68—Jas. Stirton, A. Lachafield, F. Dutton, Chas. B. Faul, W. Pullen, Jno. Forbes, E. B. Marrey, W. Partle. 69—Arthur C. Ellis. 72—Robt. H. Marshall, Wm. Menary, Mark Mundy, Jno. J. Saunders. 74—Jas. Boyd, Jr., Wm. E. Earl. 75—Samuel S. Nesbitt, Matt Howie, Chas. Jackson. 76—W. J. Myles, C. Farnsworth, T. M. Dodds, Chas. Lewis, Geo. Lightbody, A. W. Moore, Jno. H. Naismith, Isaac Patterson, E. Clarke, S. E. Edmonds, J. N. Grose, N. Y. S. Harris, P. J. McKay, A. McBeth, Frank West. 77—Jno. W. Bretton, Hy. E. Moore. 78—Wm. Williamson, D. D. Healy, Chas. Mantle, J. C. Williams, Wm. Spoonenberg, M. A. Hendershot, J. L. Biggar, S. A. Ellis. 79—C. Elliott, J. Lawson, Geo. Robinson, H. Barber, Thos. West, F. Kirkpatrick, Hy. Parker, Jas. Cousins, T. A. Scanlan, R. J. Gibson, G. Peacock, A. E. Dymont, Wm. D. Watson, W. J. Roth, Sam. H. Rogers. 81—Thos. C. West. 82—Robt. H. Elliot, Jno. A. McTavish, Robt. Bain, Jno. Chittenden. 84—Jas. R. Howe, B. J. Gibbings, Wm. Colwell, Alb. Turner, Jos. Wheatley. 86—Geo. Glendinning, Wm. J. Silverside, Wm. H. Smith, Fred. B. Utting, Jno. C. Kelly, F. J. Lawrie, E. D. Pittam, Wm. Parker, Peter Smith. 92—W. F. Webster, W. A. Marcellus, J. R. McNeil. 93—Francis R. Collins, Jas. A. Peterson, Jas. C. Dagg, Wm. J. Armstrong, Chas. W. Harrison, 94—Robt. F. Bailey, Robt. A. Catherwood. 97—A. J. Traviss, Wm. T. Nichols, Jno. J. Macdonald, Saml. J. Bond. 99—C. T. Simpson. 100—Rd. L. Shaver, Alex. Gourley, Thos. A. Taylor, Matthew Watson, Chas. Mart, Alex. Goodbrand, Thos. Goodbrand, Sr. 101—D. Carlisle, C. A. Barton, W. L. Mitchell, D. C. McRostie, E. Sheffield, Jno. E. Mart, E. R. Quackenbush. 103—H. G. Goring. 105—H. G. A. Cook, H. B. Kennedy, C. O. Monrad, S. M. Thorne, F. W. R. Trickey. 107—Geo. T. Rulph. 119—J. Aurey, A. Neilson, A. N. Robinson, L. Brewster. 123—Jas. Duckworth, R. B. Snyder, W. A. Shaw, B. E. M. Sills, Jno. A. Laidlaw, F. J. Macdonald, Jno. E. Ketcheson, Geo. W. Weese, Thos. W. Byam, S. W. Moyer, H. T. Carr, L. E. Denyes. 125—Jas. A. Belligham. 127—Jno. A. Nugent. 137—A. W. Rixon, Jas. W. Bridgett, Wm. Lamont. 140—John W. Harris, Jos. Elgie. 141—Seth Davidson, R. W. Hurlburt, Thos. E. Henry, Ed. C. Johnston, Ed. D. Jacob. 142—Jno. D. Dain, Wm. Mead. 143—A. E. Chappell, L. L. Locke, H. A. Wallace, R. L. Bell, A. H. Goetz, Wm. C. Patton, E. Caistor, E. S. Turner, Jas. B. Weir. 151—Wm. Cram, Jno. W. Kee, Thos. Farrell, Alex. J. Richards, Ed. Hollinger, R. H. McMicking, C. S. Carrick, Thos. S. Scrivener, J. R. Hallman. 154—Geo. W. Scott. 156—J. J. Booth, Alex. Bryce, J. McKuinny Chas. Ellicott, A. E. Wright, D. McCorrie, R. B. McQueen, H. P. Thornloe, Jas. H. Dennison. 159—P. Campbell, Wm. J. Gould, G. W. Goodfellow, Thos. A. Hendry, C. Rielly, Hy. Benson, L. O. Brown, H. J. Langdon, C. F. Magee, Hy. Lumsden. 165—C. St. C. Thomas, Jno. W. L. McCraney. 168—L. McLeary, Jas. Blackborough, E. Hall, E. H. Langham, 169—D. N. Armstrong, W. Burgess, F. J. Quin, Robt. P. Smith, Sidney Grahell, Hy. Houser, Geo. J. Bell. 170—R. C. Cheswigh. 171—Asa W. Forbes, Thos. White. 180—A. J. Cassan, Wm. Bowers, Jno. Lyon. 186—Jno. H. Henderson. 190—P. Ford Geo. Gasgoyne, Jno. E. Cullen, Chas. A. Ryall, E. Norman. 192—Jas. H. Robbins, Edwin Penon, W. H. Robinson. 196—A. S. Campbell, Jno. W. Coombs. 205—Louis Ritz, Isaac M. Clemens. 209a—Wm. Geo. Reid, Alex. Craig. 209—John H. Wilson, A. Bradford, Wm. Connors, Robt. Wilson, W. D. T. Wright, C. E. McMeheew. 215—Wm. R. Johnson, D. Moran, Peter I. Delong, D'A. Young, Garfield French. 216—Oliver Perfect, Geo. Hill. 217—Fred. W. Hearn, E. B. Armour. 218—H. L. Cantelon, Wm. H. Miles, A. M. Wilbur. 219—J. D. McPherson. 220—Geo. Bewell, Wm. D. Borrowman. 223

—E. W. Pickford. 228—J. O. Otterbein, R. W. Burgess. 231—Wm. Noakes Isaac Potter. 233—Jas. Saarp. 237—E. B. Stansell. 243—Fred. W. Steele. 249—R. D. Carty, W. A. Casselman, D. Castor, T. E. Elliott, A. D. Ferguson, F. W. Moore, O. L. Maltby, S. W. Samin. 254—Geo. C. Ditmars, W. O. Burgess. 255—P. C. Blackburn, Jas. Kimmerley. 258—Jos. Robinson, L. Collieridge, G. H. Worthington, G. W. Mitchell, A. McManus, C. Noill, Jas. R. McDowell, C. Gair, S. U. Triggs, R. U. Humphries, T. Fanning. 260—C. Richmond, Jno. Ferguson, R. C. Manwich, Jno. McHattie, Jno. McElroy, F. W. Peruth. 261—Wm. J. Hewson, James Gould. 262—W. D. Ebbel, Jno. Ivel, Thos. J. Snell, Jno. R. R. Dowling, Wm. S. Whaley. 264—S. E. Adams, A. McArthur, L. O. McCormack, Rd. Smith. 267—Geo. J. Fielder. 268—H. O. Boyd, Wm. Beatty. 272—D. C. Shaver, J. F. Findlay, Edwin Taylor, H. A. Wills. 274—Jno. A. Cameron, Jno. McDougall, Jno. M. McDonald, A. J. Ridley, T. A. Spencer. 282—R. N. Campbell, A. D. McCallum, H. McLean, H. C. Jamieson, D. McEachren. 284—Jno. W. Armstrong, Robt. Lowe, H. James, M. Doel, Wm. McDonald, W. McKay, Jno. M. Hutchinson. 285—Saml. J. Ewing. 289—D. T. McArthur, Chas. McArthur, Fred. Clarke, Wm. Russell. 292—Wm. Perkins, Walter Jarvis. 296—Hy Mallett, S. W. Bunbury, Chas. J. Hyde. 304—Victor A. Lawrence, Louis Cross. 312—D. F. Seed, M. Quinn, F. Oliver. 314—Wm. Foote, Wm. McEwen. 315—R. M. Smith, Wm. J. Huston, Wm. R. Shantz. 316—E. J. Burridge, Alex. McFarlane, E. Garner, J. B. Fraser, W. G. Ellis. 318—E. Flanans, F. A. Krantz, H. Halwell. 319—J. S. Bone, J. G. Donald, Fred. Kaiper, W. J. Foreman, J. Mills, Frank Young. 320—W. L. Graham, Alex. Gilliland, John T. Clark, J. Ward, H. H. Moore, C. G. McGregor, C. H. Barnard, Thos. H. Sivil. 323—Jno. R. Newall, Geo. E. Yorke. 325—Geo. T. Hall, Chas. F. Edgerton, H. M. Cooper. 328—Guy M. Smith, Jno. N. Wood. 331—Herbert McDougall, Francis Washburn, Wm. Irvine. 332—Fred. J. Scarff, Jno. W. Chown, Alex. F. McLaren, P. McCulloch. 337—C. Hamilton, S. Hill, F. Fay, F. E. Hager, G. M. Millan, J. Kottmier, G. W. Pew, Chas. Rogers, S. H. Williams, Wm. Camp, A. Damude. 339—J. N. Carrothers, J. H. Fitzgerald, R. I. Green, H. B. Hutchison, Wm. Ingram, A. J. Mitchell, W. J. Plyly, Thos. Waters. 343—Hugh J. Baldwin. 244—W. H. Chittick, Jr. 347—Wm. R. Gow, A. G. Sutton, Jno. B. Wilkin, Wm. G. Ward. 354—Geo. J. Early, Geo. H. Sami. 357—Jas. Robertson, S. Deane, Fred. Thomas, D. A. McClenahan, Hy. R. Henderson, Robt. Allison, Jno. P. Aitkins, Jno. A. Monkrian, E. Bigelow, E. Marcey, Hy Brooks, Wm. Davids. 359—Jas. A. Forest. 361—W. G. Bond, Wm. P. Bayley, A. L. Knowles, F. D. Samwell, E. Bylock. 364—Wm. Pierce, Jas. Howe, Jas. A. McEwen, R. G. Lucas. 368—Jno. McKonkey. 369—A. McKenson, W. C. Willed, Jas. Walker. 371—C. Aitkins, C. P. Crabb, R. T. Porter, Jas. Soulis, Geo. H. Dunbar, Wm. A. Henderson. 373—N. W. Porter, W. H. Burgess. 376—Geo. Campbell, M. H. Clearwater, H. B. D. Lloyd, D. H. Sutherland, Ed. James. 378—J. C. Kelly. 379—Jas. Standsfield, Wm. Fales. 380—J. H. McConnell, S. J. Rendel, R. G. Abraham, 382—Wm. M. Findlay, Frank Henderson, Wm. Jno. Hendrick, Chas. A. Herman, Herman V. Honeyford, Thos. Yorath, Jno. V. Adam, Saml. Bell, F. A. Taylor, Chas. Nix. 383—C. F. McArthur, Jas. F. Ault, Robt. Don. 384—G. F. Brady, Jno. M. Whiting, Hy. Shelly, L. G. Black, Fred. Oldfield. 385—Jno. Farnworth, Jas. Fraser. 387—Frank G. Graham, L. W. Robertson. 388—A. F. Little. 394—J. Osterend. 396—Jno. A. McKinnon. 397—John Easton, Wm. Mills. 403—F. W. Hyde, G. E. Lindsay, C. W. Renshall, H. E. St. George, Robt. Scott, J. D. Anderson, Alex. Wallace, Jas. Templeton. 404—F. W. Wakeford, H. S. Paul, N. Badibent, Jas. Saul. 408—Jno. B. McRae. 409—A. F. Cooper, Jas. Hedger, Thos. Currie, Geo. H. Hess, B. McBride, W. H. McLeod, W. J. Currie, S. J. White. 412—E. H. Capp, H. Delayer, S. Emery, F. Lawrence. 414—W. H. Tilley, W. Mullen, W. J. R. Morrison, F. A. Hudson, Bertram Caeeseman, Alex. McKenzie, Geo. Rob. Wood, Hugh E. Yetley. 415—A. McLellan, E. A. Lodge, W. J. Muir, A. P. Greenwood, J. R. Mockton, Jno. S. Duguid, M. L. Smith, Geo. Kidd, Jno. Wilson, Thos. Kirk, P. Brisbin, Jno. Murray, Jno. Nicholson. 417—Otto Shannon, W. J. Beatty, Hans Hansan, Jno. S. Cassells, Alf. E. Fraser, Jno. McKenzie. 419—Thos. F. Lorne, M. A. Hatchcock, T. McKenzie, C. McLaughlin, Wm. T. Richardson, E. A. Cruise, Wm. Thornton, A. C. O'Neil, H. D. McIntyre, J. R. McIntyre. 423—A. C. McDonald, Jno. L. Kennedy. 424—Ralph W. Gordon. 426—Jno. Mole, Thos. Harrison, W. A. Miner, Rd. Thompson, W. H. Blewett, J. D. Graham, J. H. McMullen. 430—Alf. W. Bray, Geo. Douglas, Thos. Glen Stobo, Wm. Perrins, Robt. McClure, Ira M. Thompson, Wm. H. Lucas. 435—Thos. J. Flynn, Geo. D. Dart, Thos. Butters, Thos. Williams, Angus Carmichael, William White, W. J. Buchanan, Jno. A. Rovche, Hy. Seabrook, A. A. Brown, A. J. Richmond, J. S. Connors, A. Mathieson. 438—H. L. Anderson, Jno. A. Burns, G. C. Beal, J. C. Clarin, W. R. Hart, L. J. Lane, E. R. Reid, C. H. Maylee, W. A. Sherwood, F. W. Wodell. 444—M. Johnston. 446—E. A. C. Wilcox, D. G. W. Rickets. 447—Jas. F. Stewart. 451—Christopher Hodgson, Geo. Detman, Wm. G. White. 454—Hy. Brimacom. 455—R. M. Boyd, R. G. Byer, H. A. English, J. Brooks, W. Nolan. 457—D. Laughton, Wm. Parker, W. J. Tackaberry. 462—Wm. J. Farrell, Jno. A. Murdoch, Jno. M. Mercer, E. R. Anderson, Frank Kilpatrick, S. McChesney, Wm. E. Ritchie, Harold McKay. 464—A. Hamilton. 466—Jno. Anderson, E. G. Turnbull, S. H. Lawrence. 467—Geo. Gordon, A. Mc

Cabe, R. I. McCabe, A. J. Brown, Jno. W. McDermot, H. F. McCabe, Wm. Carter. 470—H. A. Clark, B. F. Kean, W. S. Redmond, Wm. A. Vassey. 473—A. W. Hall. 475—J. B. Kingdon, V. S. O'Neill, C. O. Pilgrim. 480—L. Alguire, Clinton Pitt, D. C. Locke. 484—J. C. Foulis, A. J. Bruce, Frank Brennan, Jno. R. Black, Jno. Cooper, H. C. Workman, Francis Thomas. 485—A. McColl, T. W. Crossen, N. R. Green, N. McVittie, A. E. Whitely, C. W. Kempfe, T. Hadshead. 486—J. S. Baker, R. F. Kellock, W. J. Jackson, J. A. Skene, Chas. Haywood, B. W. Hills, G. L. Comosh. 487—Wm. G. Gray. 488—Jos. E. Knapp. 494—Wm. F. McDougall, Jno. A. McEwen, S. A. Winn, W. P. Watson. 495—A. E. Orr, A. N. Boyd, E. Cassidy, Jno. Larvey. 506—A. H. Reamsbottom, Geo. R. Hoyt, H. B. Mullen, G. G. Ballard, W. Loncks, Jno. A. Coulter. 509—Norman C. Peacy, Wm. Pieper. 511—Thos. Kirk. 512—Wm. A. Ewing, W. Shaw, R. A. Sheppard. 513—Geo. T. Goddard.

SUSPENSIONS U.M.C., 1914-1915.

No. 33—John Tancott. 38—Sidney Rogers. 81—Thos. C. West. 105—Franklyn G. Woolnough. 151—Wm. M. Cram. 324—Adam B. Mackay, Roy Houston. 396—Jno. Alex. McKinnon. 412—J. C. Richardson. 415—Jno. H. Buxton, Jr.

EXPELLED 1914-1915.

No. 105—Franklyn G. Woolnough. 223—Thos. Ridyard. 376—A. A. Cooper.

DEATHS 1914-1915.

No. 3—Geo. W. Graden, 1 April, 1915. 5—Wm. H. Jackson, 25, January 1915, Geo. H. Weatherhead, 15 April, W. Coates, 7 March, 1915, Chas. D. C. McReady, 3 June, 1915. 6—A. Vincent, 14 May, 1914, Jas. W. Leslie, 18 October, 1914, Jas. Bicknel, 21 October, 1914, W. W. Osborne, 7 January, 1915, Chas. J. Silver, 19 February, 1915, E. P. Barnes, 26 February, 1915. 7—Jas. W. Everett, 1 July, 1913, Geo. H. Richter, 29 November, 1914, W. Forbes, 16 February, 1915, A. E. Kimmons, 24 April, 1915. 9—Alex. Tait, 21 January, 1915, M. W. Parks, 26 January, 1915, Peter Bristol, 16 May, 1915, A. Alexander, 1 June, 1915. 10—Frank A. Brown, 1 January, 1915. 11—S. Vermilyer, 29 June, 1914, Jas. W. Mc Kee, 30 June, 1914, Jos. P. Stanton, 31 July, 1914, S. W. Rogers, 1 November, 1914, D. F. Bogart, 19 November, 1914, Wm. Malloch, 17 January, 1915. 15—Thos. W. Wilson, 26 October, 1914, Chas. A. Tilden, 8 October, 1914, Chas. O. Borrowman, 21 February, 1915, Chas. H. Connor, 11 June, 1915. 16—Robt. J. McD. Parke, 25 August, 1914, Chester D. Ames, 5 December, 1914, G. E. Millechamp, 7 January, 1915, A. P. Stewart, 4 January, 1915, J. Jamieson, 1915, A. R. McDonald, 16 January, 1915, Geo. Bean, 20 January, 1915, Wm. Stark, 26 January, 1915, H. W. Williamson, 15 February, 1915. 17—David Cranston, 1915. 18—Frank Storey, 14 July, 1914, H. W. Hare, 1 October, 1914, W. H. Williamson, 13 October, 1914, C. A. McDonnell, 23 April, 1915. 20—F. F. Harding, 19 June, 1914. 22—Fredk. W. Francis, 4 August, 1914. 23—Alexander Moodie, 17 December, 1914. 24—Horatio N. Hawkes, 21 November, 1914. 25—Alton H. Garratt, 29 December, 1914, D. R. Wilkie, 19 November, 1914. 26—Marshall D. Welch, 22 January, 1915. 27—John D. Laidlaw, 5 December, 1914, Wm. Smyth, 8 February, 1915. 28—Wm. H. Bottum, 29 June, 1914, Geo. Cugby, 21 April, 1915. 29—Chas. A. Lapp, 3 July, 1914, A. Lindsay Webb, 11 September, 1914, Wm. H. Potter, 25 Nov. 1914. 30—Fred. E. Calverley, 27 October, 1914. 31—John P. Folley, 3 February, 1915, Francis F. McArthur, May, 12 1915. 32—Francis Splatt, 10 May, 1914, Archibald Cooper, 19 January, 1914. 33—Thos. Ginn, 23 January, 1915, Alex. Robertson, 20 May, 1915. 34—Hy. Hamilton, 9 October, 1914. 35—Wm. G. Gubbins, 23 February, 1914, Wm. T. Anthony, 13 April, 1914. 37—J. B. Coleridge, 8 July, 1914, Geo. Galloway, 7 October, 1914. 38—Jno. Nicholson, 29 August, 1914, Wm. Willoughby, 12 February, 1915, R. W. McCormack, 23 April, 1915. 40—W. S. McMurray, 17 August, 1914, Robt. Hill, 8 September, 1914, Jas. Phillips, 21 September, 1914, D. Gallagher, 20 October, 1914, C. Lister, 21 November, 1914, H. A. Webber, 22 May, 1915, Alf. Barnard, 31 May, 1915. 41—Fred. A. Scratch, 30 October, 1914, Samuel Black, 15 August, 1914, Albert W. Westman, 21 December, 1914. 42—John Blanch, 24 August, 1914, F. C. Dulmage, 7 November, 1914, C. B. Stapleton, 28 January, 1915, Jno. Horgum, 29 April, 1915. 43—Jno. S. McKay, 21 July, 1914. Jas. A. Mutch, 5 Jan. 1915. 44—Chas. P. Geary, 28 June, 1914, Peter Couse, 29 December, 1914, Jas. E. Potts, 1 March, 1915, Robt. McCully, 15 May, 1915, Hy. T. Jones, 14 May, 1915. 45—Thos. Burnley. 46—Colin Walker, 8 January, 1915, Jas. W. Carswell, 8 May, 1914, David Orr, 25 May, 1914, M. Houston, 11 April, 1915, W. H. Gallagher, March, 1915, Geo. J. L. Smith, 15 June, 1915. 47—Geo. E. Horton, 28 December, 1914, Wm. Curtis, 9 March, 1915, B. D. W. Rorison, 14 March, 1915, Benj. Paine, 18 May, 1915, J. R. Totten, 16 June, 1915. 48—Jno. L. McGuire, 11 August, 1914, Thos. Cross, 25 August, 1914, Jno. A. McCoy 28,

January, 1915, Wesley Reid, 23 April, 1914. 50—Paul Clapp, 3 June, 1914, Geo. M. Carley, 9 June, 1914. 52—Hy. J. Hillyard, 30 October, 1914, Jas. Newton, 26 October, 1914, Wm. P. Dillon, 6 May, 1915, M. F. Ingersoll, 15 March, 1915, Wm. Flegg, 5 May, 1915. 55—Jno. H. Fulford, 5 June, 1915. 56—Jas. Alcock, 16 December, 1914. 58—Edgar S. Reade, 10 October, 1914, Alex. Campbell, 19 October, 1914, Thos. A. Shore, 6 November, 1914, Jno. Robertson, 4 February, 1915, Jas. Jardine, 11 April, 1915. 61—Robt. Wilson, 27 June, 1914, L. D. Patton, 10 August, 1914, David Tope, 1 August, 1914, Robt. McMillan, 24 October, 1914, Wm. H. Harris, 26 November, 1914, Jas. Vanatter, 26 December, 1914, Jno. Nicoll, 18 April, 1915, Julius Straus, 7 May, 1915, Chas. Vansickle, 4 March, 1915, Alex. Smith, 5 June, 1915. 62—Robt. Ford, 18 October, 1914. 64—M. W. Manville, 7 July, 1914, Jas. A. Stewart, 25 January, 1915, John Labatt, 27 April, 1915. 65—Jas. Gray, 15 August, 1914, Jas. C. Campbell, 28 September, 1914, R. Stone, 2 October, 1914, Geo. Summers, 28 June, 1906, Jno. Pinkerton, 23 January, 1915, A. J. Wilson, 18 April, 1915, A. W. McLachlan, 5 January, 1915. 66—Wm. Wagstaffe, 14 January, 1914, Rd. Hill, 14 July, 1914. 72—A. J. Bailey, 6 November, 1914. 74—Theo. R. Shipman, 13 May, 1914, Jas. Bissell, 26 November, 1914, Albert Boyd, 14 December, 1914, Chas. H. Bissell, 16 January, 1915, Gideon Carpenter, 24 April, 1915. 75—Hy. P. Jex, 28 September, 1914, Solomon Singer, 19 October, 1914, John Ewen, 6 November, 1914, W. H. Chandler, 30 December, 1914, Jno. H. McKinnon, 28 April 1915, Geo. Massey, 29 April, 1915, Alf. R. Clarke, 20 June, 1915. 76—Jas. Cairns, 23 December, 1914, Jno. Alex. Tinkle, 25 April, 1915. 77—Frank L. Loosmore, 16 December, 1914, T. H. Naysmith, 24 April, 1915, W. A. Rooney, 26 January, 1915. 78—Wm. D. Flemming, 30 July, 1914, Andrew Slater, 16 September, 1914. 79—Wm. H. Gunn, 14 May, 1914. 82—Chas. Flanagan, 9 February, 1915. 84—Wm. J. Riley, 25 March, 1915. 85—David Murphy, 24 June, 1915. 86—Fredk. H. Herbert, 17 September, 1914, Richard T. Coady, 20 September, 1914, Geo. H. Greenway, 20 October, 1914, Jno. R. Carter, 13 March, 1915. 87—Jesse Noble, 24 February, 1915. 88—Ewing Cameron, 17 September, 1914, Edward F. Hicks, 10 November, 1914, Jno. Mc Aulay, 10 March, 1915, J. F. Maher, 21 May, 1915, Wm. Wilson, 24 May, 1915. 92—D. H. Elliott, 26 November, 1914, Jno. Crawford, 26 February, 1915. 96—Geo. G. Smith, 26 December, 1914, Jno. M. Boothwell, 12 January, 1915, Jno. Little, 16 March, 1915, Fred. C. Link, 9 June, 1915. 97—Jas. Sharp, 4 March, 1915. 98—H. J. Dixon, 4 August, 1915. 100—Fred. O. Souter, 5 March, 1915, Thos. Connell, 12 March, 1915. 101—H. C. Rogers, 14 September, 1914, R. E. Wood, 28 September, 1914, G. W. Burnett, April, 1915. 103—Arthur J. Leach, 7 October, 1914, Hy. Loosmore, 13 January, 1915, Wm. W. Gourley, 17 March, 1915, Jno. Carlson, 9 April, 1915. 104—Harry Couzens, 11 November, 1914. 105—Walter Scott, 19 August, 1914, Gordon J. Robinson, 17 November, 1914, Frank I. Walsh, 9 February, 1915, W. D. Garner, 12 February, 1915, Wm. E. Pittman, 15 March, 1915. 106—Albt. Foster, 24 October, 1914. 107—Chas. A. Kalus, June, 1914. 109—Thos. B. Cook, 13 October, 1914. 110—S. Hollingsworth, 5 July, 1914, J. W. Throop, 2 September, 1914. 113—A. R. Sande 8 February, 1915, Chas. Stewart, 17 February, 1915, I. W. Merrill, 31 May, 1915. 114—Neil P. Fleming, 20 September, 1914, Jas. Taylor, 23 December, 1914. 115—Wm. N. Denny, 30 January, 1914, H. F. Kourkle, 20 September, 1914, R. Constable, 25 September, 1914. 119—Brown E. Aylsworth, 10 November, 1914. 120—Jas. Ball, 1 May, 1915. 121—Wm. W. Ross, 7 August, 1914, Robt. J. Nicholson, 25 October, 1914, Robt. Heatley, 7 December, 1914, Wm. Thompson, 22 March, 1915, Thos. Burnley, 6 April, 1915, N. W. Creech, 22 May, 1915, Robt. Moore, 12 June, 1915, Jos. Bowne, 21 June, 1915. 122—Jno. D. McDonald, 9 August, 1914, Noble Dean, 29 October, 1914, Geo. D. Cardiff, 28 May, 1915. 123—Henry Pringle, 30 July, 1914, Saml. J. Benson, 6 March, 1915. 125—Jno. B. Aitchison, 12 August, 1914, Wm. S. Turner, 20 November, 1914. 126—Wm. Jno. Doxsee, 28 April, 1915. 127—Peter Harden, November, 1914, Thos. E. Ketcheson, February, 1914. 128—J. W. Johnston, 3 January, 1915, J. R. Robertson, 25 January, 1915, Jas. Coxford, 6 February, 1915, Geo. Hollingsworth, 25 April, 1915. 129—Edwin H. Mulay, 23 April, 1915, Jno. P. Thompson, 9 June, 1915. 131—Angus McAulay, 23 April, 1915. 133—Thos. A. Amos, 25 March, 1915. 135—J. A. Fraser, 20 October 1914, Wm. Storey, 8 July, 1915, Jno. W. Bews, 13 May, 1915. 139—L. G. Cassels 13 January, 1914, Jno. Carter, 26 December, 1914. 140—Edward D. Whyte, 30 September, 1914, Wm. Faulds, 22 December, 1914. 143—Silas Redmond, 20 May, 1915. 144—David E. Agnew, 29 March, 1915, Geo. Forde, 19 April, 1915. 145—James Night, 26 January, 1915, Wm. Twigg, 28 May, 1915. 147—Peter Naismith, 14 July, 1914, Wm. J. Sinclair, May, 1915. 148—Ambrose Duffy, 26 July, 1914, Geo. Duncan, 6 April, 1915, Jno. R. Armstrong, 9 April, 1915. 151—S. J. Minchin, 27 February, 1915. 153—Thos. Pink, 26 March, 1915. 154—John Murdy, 22 April, 1915. 155—Ed. B. Wilson, 17 April, 1915, Jas. D. Tully, 15 May, 1915. 156—Chas. C. Morris, 22 July, 1914, Wm. Lessing, 20 November, 1914, Alex. H. Dixon, 26 November, 1914. 158—Jno. H. Wallen, 4 June, 1915. 164—Jas. D. Stinson, 8 April, 1914, B. H. Young, 15 September, 1914. 165—Adam Begg, 166—Arthru Parker, 28 December, 1914, J. D. Lutz, 24 March, 1915, G. M. Hill, 10 June, 1915. 168—W. P. Boyle, 15 June, 1915. 169—Elias Augustine, 17 January, 1914, Geo. A. Zimmerman, 8 August, 1914. 170—Moses

- R. Counter, 7 December, 1914. 174—Tarquin Franklin, 15 July, 1914, Geo. Lane, 15 June, 1915. 177—R. Bradley, 20 March, 1915, J. C. Kearns, 4 March, 1915. C. S. Ledwood, 17 March, 1915. 181—E. P. Buckner, 29 August, 1914. 184—Jno. R. McKenzie, 17 July, 1914, J. S. Hamilton, 5 September, 1914, Angus McDonald, 12 May, 1915. 186—Hy. J. Franklin, 5 June, 1915. 190—D. Ferguson, 19 August, 1914. 193—J. W. Renwick, 8 July, 1914, A. Bartholomew, 9 December, 1914. 194—C. H. Chapman, 25 June, 1914, W. D. Burgess, 7 August, 1914, W. R. Munroe, 28 August, 1914, G. W. Beaumont, 23 May, 1915. 195—Thos. Beattie, 2 December, 1914. 196—R. L. McGregor, 3 August, 1914, J. A. Halstead, 30 August, 1914. 200—Wm. Roberts, 23 May, 1915. 201 James Reid, 2 March, 1915. 203—Wilfred Wells, 8 April, 1915. 207—Alex. McLaren, 20 July, 1915. 209a—Thos. Baxter, 16 September, 1914, C. Q. Morrow, 23 January, 1915, E. Rechnitzer, 6 March, 1915, Wm. Cooper, 11 June, 1915. 209—Wm. A. Field, 1 April, 1914, Duncan Gunn, 3 May, 1914. 215—Edgar B. Smith, 11 August, 1914, John S. Nixon, 12 February, 1915. 216—Jno. W. Neil, 26 August, 1914, Wm. R. King, 26 October, 1914, R. Mann, 2 November, 1914, H. B. McGuire, 25 April, 1915. 218—Jas. Martin, 12 October, 1914, Robt. J. J. Scott, Geo. H. Shackleton, 11 February, 1915, Francis Hague, 10 June, 1915. 219—Wm. J. Reid, 12 December, 1914, N. McGarvin, 23 December, 1914, Rd. Anthony, 15 March, 1915. 230—Samuel Little, 23 October, 1914. 221—Robt. Andrews, 10 June, 1915. 222—John Scott, 19 June, 1915. 224—Jno. B. McArthur, 22 October, 1914. 228—Jas. R. Smith, 8 January, 1915, Wm. A. Baker, 22 January, 1915. 230—Wm. B. Hill, 19 August, 1914, Wm. C. McLean, 231—Fredk. W. Buffam, 25 October, 1914, Jno. M. Whinton, 15 February, 1915. 233—Sanford Tudor, 17 January, 1915. 234—Jas. Cruickshank, 20 December, 1914, Edwin Boyd, 6 May, 1915. 236—Jno. A. Sewart, 4 July, 1914. 237—Jno. W. Cotton, 7 February, 1915. 238—Ivan Annett, 18 March, 1914. 239—John C. Bell, 4 March, 1915. 242—Julius Kahnt, 13 April, 1915. 247—Peter G. Kemmerly, 29 January, 1915, Chas. A. Massey, 8 February, 1915, Jas. Henderson, 10 February, 1915, Herbert G. Mintz, 3 April, 1915. 249—Angus McCaulay, 26 September, 1915. 253—John G. Ballie, 23 October, 1914, Daniel Noonan, 26 November, 1914. 255—Jas. B. Carscallen, 19 September, 1914, Jno. J. Wiley, 14 October, 1914, Jas. C. Brown, 13 November, 1914, Chas. A. Forskie, 7 January, 1915, Robt. P. Wright, 28 January, 1915, O. McVean, 26 February, 1915. 256—Sidney Jackson, 22 April, 1915. 257—Oliver F. Baker, 28 January, 1915, Thos. S. Lockhart, 260—Wm. H. McGarvey, November, 1914, Chris. McKenzie, 19 February, 1915. 262—Miles Bateman, 31 July, 1914, Hy. R. McCulloch, 20 October, 1914, Hy. Leighton, 6 June, 1915. 264—Peter Hendricks, 16 July, 1914, J. W. Campbell, 30 May, 1915. 265—Andrew Muckle, 15 January, 1915, Robt. Forbes, 25 January, 1915. 267—Jas. A. Thompson, 28 July, 1914, John Patterson, 22 May, 1915. 272—Edward J. Guest, 19 December, 1914. 277—Benj. Gregory, 28 November, 1914. 285—Geo. McGirr, 3 November, 1914. 286—Robt. H. Crowther, 25 June, 1914, Jno. E. Tamlyn, 18 December, 1914. 287—Robt. G. Spofford, 26 June, 1914, Jas. H. Woodside, 20 October, 1914, Dan'l Fenwick, 24 December, 1914, W. H. Hoskin, 30 March, 1915. 290—Evret E. Quick, 23 July, 1914, Geo. Stewart, 27 June, 1914, Hy. J. Coulson, 5 October, 1914, S. Skiar, 17 June, 1915. 292—John A. McDonald. 294—John McRae. 295—Geo. Adams, 13 May, 1915. 296—Lauchliu Leitch, 8 November, 1914, Isaac Freedman, 20 February, 1915, R. H. G. Chapman. 297—J. A. Bernhardt, 7 November, 1914, Geo. A. Clare, November 15, 1915. 299—M. Shannon, 4 April, 1915. 302—M. S. Ryan, 9 April, 1914, Alf. Roberts, 19 July, 1914, F. W. Curran, 17 October, 1914. 303—Jno. Brown, 19 June, 1915. 305—Wm. J. Waterworth, 1915. 309—Jno. M. Roberts, 4 May, 1914, Alex. Robertson, 20 May, 1915. 311—Gilbert Gilmore, 27 October, 1914. 312—J. P. Gibson, 17 September, 1914, Wm. Harrison, 30 December, 1914, Jno. H. Fraser, 9 March, 1915, Jno. N. Gibb, 10 March, 1915, Jas. McCallum, 15 May, 1915. 313—Robt. Tedford, 9 December, 1914. 314—Jno. Westgate, 16 March, 1915, R. W. Main, 27 May, 1915. 316—Rd. Clarke, 10 July, 1914, F. A. Fralick, 1 August, 1914, Chas. J. Reid, 1 March, 1915, A. McDonald, 17 June, 1915. 318—Holt Meredyth, 3 May, 1915. 320—Jas. Sutherland, 17 February, 1914, Hugh Carr, 18 April, 1914. 322—Hy. Dairie, 13 July, 1914. 323—Jas. Reader, 14 August, 1914. 324—Hugh S. Brennan, 31 July, 1914, Jno. M. Burns, 6 September, 1914, J. W. Lamoreaux, 30 September, 1914, Rd. Crooks, 25 November, 1914, John Harvey, 17 February, 1915, A. H. Mawson, 1 July, 1915. 326—Jas. Bicknell, 22 October, 1914, Robt. Jaffray, 15 December, 1912, Geo. R. Tasker, 19 January, 1915, Walter Currie, 7 April, 1915, C. H. McLaughlin, 22 March, 1915, Geo. R. Copping, 7 May, 1915, Francis Hentwell February, 1915. 328—Jarvis Westgate, 11 July, 1914. 329—Jno. McPherson, 1 December, 1914. 333—Roger McGill, 26 June, 1914. 334—R. T. Stephenson. 339—Jas. MacFarlane, 18 August, 1914, Jas. Martin, 12 October, 1914, Oliver H. Graham, 26 November, 1914, Thos. Arnold, 1 January, 1915, E. W. Hylton, 6 March, 1915. 341—Geo. Wills, 11 November, 1914. 343—Jas. Sharpe, 4 March, 1915, Chas. J. Silver, 19 February, 1915, T. W. Rumble, 7 May, 1915. 346—J. B. Coady, 30 September, 1914, Bruce L. Riordan, 29 August, 1914, S. G. McBurney, 16 March, 1915, J. B. Harris, 19 March, 1915, Jas. Chisholm, 22 April, 1915, Rd. Sleightholm, 21 May, 1915. 347—Alex. Wyness, 25 May, 1915. 352—Thos.

Kennedy, 6 November, 1914, Geo. W. Webb, 26 January, 1915. 354—Jno. Wake-
lin, 11 January, 1915. 358—A. P. Morrison, 1 March, 1915. 360—Arthur S.
Bates, 12 January, 1915. 361—Benj. Savage, 5 March, 1914, Wm. Anderson,
25 August, 1914. 362—C. B. Telford, 2 October, 1914. 364—Jas. Howe, 26
March, 1915. 367—Robt. W. Riddell, 16 August, 1914, M. Murray, 25 October,
1914, A. E. Brewer, 31 May, 1915. 368—Rodney Warner, 8 October, 1914, Jno.
B. Barry, 22 January, 1915, S. Gowan, 13 March, 1915, Jno. Culbert, 13 April,
1915, A. J. Brister, 22 April, 1915, W. H. Harrison, 22 June, 1915. 369—A. Ander-
son, 3 March, 1915, Daniel Blea, 18 May, 1915, Jas. Bell, 19 May, 1915. 371—
Wm. L. Reid, 28 August, 1914, Edward Morgan, 18 December, 1914, A. A. Ayres,
Thos. Gardner. 372—Samuel D. Ramsay, 21 November, 1914. 373—J. P. Durk,
6 May, 1915. 374—Robt. Humphries, April, 1915. 376—Fredk. Francis, 10
December, 1914, Wm. Scott, 4 November, 1914. 377—Jno. W. Douglas, 11 March
1915. 378—Enock E. Coulter, 10 March, 1914, Robt. Hartley, 2 February, 1914,
N. Chired, 15 February, 1915, Neil Cooper, 22 April, 1915, M. O'Connell, 29 May,
1915. 379—Herbert Cranston, 16 July, 1914. 380—Arthur Waspe, 10 July,
1914. 382—Jas. Miller, 2 February, 1914, Jno. G. Appleton, 30 September, 1914,
Hans Andrup, 2 February, 1915, W. H. Hess, 2 September, 1914, Jas. McCaw,
10 April, 1915. 384—Keith R. Camerson, 5 November, 1914, John D. Glover, 23
April, 1915. 387—Saml. C. Horton, 12 September, 1914, Jno. M. Shaw, 23 Septem-
ber, 1914. 390—Jacob M. Dobbryn, 3 November, 1914. 392—Jno. A. Cairns,
16 October, 1914, Thos. Parton. 393—Wm. A. Crow, 23 March, 1915. 394—
Hugh Kennedy, 21 April, 1915. 397—R. Booth, 4 July, 1914, Wm. McRae, 30
November, 1914. 400—W. H. Spiers, 6 February, 1915. 401—Wm. J. Passmore,
18 March, 1915, Jas. Sexsmith, 23 May, 1915. 402—John Queen, February, 1915.
403—F. A. Jones, 6 February, 1915. 404—Elisha Vanest, 11 June, 1915. 405—
Wm. C. Richardson, 13 November, 1914. 408—Fred. L. Warren, 10 May, 1915.
410—Wm. Smith, 21 September, 1914, Wm. F. Lancaster, 29 March, 1915. 412—
J. H. Muir, 18 July, 1914, D. A. McColl, 7 March, 1915, S. A. Bowker, 6 May, 1915.
413—Jas. A. Richardson, 3 June, 1915. 414—Arthur Woods, 14 February, 1915.
415—F. C. Trapp, 9 September, 1914, R. D. Roy, 10 December, 1914, Wm. J.
Huston, 25 January, 1915, R. McLeod, 6 April, 1915, Alex. J. Milne, 21 May, 1915.
420—Thos. Darling, 25 October, 1914, Hy. B. McVittie, 20 February, 1915. 421
—Wm. Burke, 14 February, 1915. 423—W. A. Kelsay, 1 April, 1915. 424—
Jas. Gordon, 24 August, 1914. 425—Wm. J. Brown, 23 August, 1914, Alfred L.
Cundick, 27 March, 1915. 426—Thos. E. Farls, 3 July, 1914. 427—Jas. Spence,
January, 1914, Thos. Baycroft, January, 1914. 428—Percy C. Graham, 28
February, 1915. 429—Henry Hilker, 10 January, 1914. 430—Chas. W. Maginn,
9 October, 1914, B. F. Law, 22 April, 1915. 431—Saml. Wilsford, 27 April, 1915.
433—Harry A. Cameron, 28 August, 1914. 435—Wm. A. Johnson, 20 November,
1914, Jno. H. Bellingham, 18 July, 1914, Jas. N. Webb, 3 September, 1914. 436—
Thos. B. Parkinson, 19 November, 1914, Claude W. Watson, 23 February, 1915,
Rd. L. Rusk, 15 June, 1915. 437—Isaac N. Burlay, 28 June, 1914, Jas. W. Kydd,
11 December, 1914, Jas. K. Nelson, 20 January, 1915. 438—H. W. Anthes, 15
August, 1914, C. H. Whitehead, 1 December, 1914, R. T. Ramsay, 16 March, 1915,
J. H. Wallace, 20 March, 1915, W. Goring, 26 June, 1915. 439—Jno. Simpson,
13 January, 1915, N. McRae, 6 April, 1915. 440—Wm. S. Curry, 7 October, 1914.
441—Jno. Cook, 21 May, 1915. 443—Harry Campbell, 6 December, 1914. 444
—Geo. Lawrence, Sr., 4 October, 1914. 447—Wm. Anderson, 25 August, 1914.
450—Eden Abbott Johnson, 22 October, 1914, John McGibbon, 2 September, 1914.
451—Thos. Graham, 19 August, 1914, Wm. J. Somerville, 11 September, 1914.
453—A. B. Dowswell, 6 November, 1914, Rd. McNabb, 2 May, 1915, A. H. Brown,
12 April, 1915. 454—Wm. A. Kelsey, 31 March, 1915, Jno. Lamb, 19 May, 1915.
459—A. S. Rose, 11 April, 1915. 462—Edgar A. Hansman, 4 April, 1914, Ralph
B. Smith, 4 December, 1914. 465—Geo. H. Groves, 18 August, 1914. 469—
Stanley Austin, 13 December, 1914, Wm. Jno. Light, 25 February, 1915, Hy. Derrer
31 March, 1915, M. H. Presser, 23 March, 1915. 470—Thos. Lewis, 7 September,
1914. 473—Leonard L. Merrifield, 21 June, 1914, Rd. Schofield, 26 February,
1915, G. W. Gaden, 1 April, 1915, A. M. Sinclair, 7 April, 1915, Chas. O. Down, 8
June, 1915. 475—Wm. A. Turk, 10 February, 1915. 482—E. L. Weis, 17 May,
1914, F. L. Jarman, 7 October, 1914. 484—Stephen I. Toll, 6 March, 1914. 485—
Wm. Reamsbottom, 5 November, 1914. 486—Fred. E. Calverley, 28 October,
1914, Jno. G. Sim, 27 February, 1915. 488—Miles Patton, 14 August, 1914. 495
—S. J. Horning, 4 December, 1914, J. G. Appleton, 30 September, 1914, E. A. P.
Cooke, 19 July, 1915. 496—Jno. H. McKinnon. 498—Peter McIntyre. 503—
Jno. Adams, 12 January, 1915. 504—Todd Millar, 15 Aug. 1914. 506—Jno. D.
Ferguson, 30 April, 1915. 511—Alex. B. Dowswell, 6 November, 1914. 514—S.
Singer, 19 October, 1914, Claude L. Owen, 14 March, 1915. 515—Norman
Church, 4 February, 1915. 517—Chester Spearman, 28 September, 1914. 522
—Jas. T. Bailey, 15 September, 1914.

RESTORATIONS, 1914-1915.

No. 14—Chas. Williams. 17—Thos. Diamond, H. McCulloch, W. P. Neals,
Jno. H. Davidson. 20—Percy Collins, Robt. Anderson, C. B. Kunleyside. 22—

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Aubrey White

Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada,
in the Province of Ontario, and a member of King
Solomon's Lodge No. 22, Toronto.

DIED JULY 14th, 1915.

Right Worshipful Brother

C. A. Lapp

P.D.D.G.M. of Prince Edward District No. 13, and a member of
United Lodge No. 29, Brighton.

DIED JULY 3rd, 1914.

Right Worshipful Brother.

Henry Pringle

P.D.D.G.M. Prince Edward District No. 13, and a member of
Belleville Lodge No. 123, Belleville.

DIED JULY 29th, 1914.

Right Worshipful Brother

James B. Carscallen

P.D.D.G.M. Erie District No. 1, and a member of Sydenham Lodge,
No. 255, Dresden.

DIED SEPT. 19th, 1914.

In Memoriam

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R. E. Wood

P.D.D.G.M. Ontario District No. 12, and a member of Corinthian
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DIED SEPT. 28th, 1914.

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Lodge No. 450, Hawkesbury.

DIED OCT. 27th, 1914.

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R. J. Lockhart

P.D.D.G.M. Wellington District No. 7, and a member of New Hope
Lodge No. 279, Hespeler.

DIED OCT. 27th, 1914.

Right Worshipful Brother

Rev. David F. Bogart

Past Grand Chaplain and a member of Moira Lodge No. 11, Belle-
ville.

DIED NOV. 11th, 1914.

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DIED JAN. 13th, 1915.

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DIED FEB. 4th, 1915.

Right Worshipful Brother

Harry H. Post

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DIED FEB. 15th, 1915.

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Past Grand Junior Warden and a member of Union
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DIED FEB. 16th, 1915.

In Memoriam

Right Worshipful Brother

Richard McNabb

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William Lodge No. 415, Fort William.

DIED MAY 4th, 1915.

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DIED MAY 18th, 1915.

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Frank Lodge No. 127, Frankford.

DIED JUNE 27th, 1915.

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James Macfarlane

Past Grand Steward and member of
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DIED AUG. 18th, 1914.

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Very Worshipful Brother

R. T. Coady

Past Grand Director of Ceremonies and a member of
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DIED SEPT. 20th, 1914.

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Past Grand Pursuivant and a member of
St. Clair Lodge No. 135, Milton.

DIED OCT. 20th, 1914.

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James Bicknell

Grand Senior Deacon and a member of
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DIED OCT. 21st, 1914.

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DIED DEC. 2nd, 1914.

In Memoriam

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DIED MAR. 4th, 1915.

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John McDonald

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King Hiram Lodge No. 78, Tillsonburg.

DIED MAY 13th, 1915.

Very Worshipful Brother

Alexander Robertson

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DIED MAY 20th, 1915.

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DIED JUNE 10th, 1915.

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			S. Stevenson	Athens	
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Appendix to Proceedings of 1915

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

A. T. Freed, P. G. M., Chairman

To the President of the Board of General Purposes :

On behalf of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence I beg to submit the following report. Proceedings of Grand Lodges reviewed are the following :

Alabama	1914	New Brunswick.....	1914
Alberta.....	1914	New Hampshire.....	1914
Arizona.....	1914	New Mexico.....	1914
Arkansas.....	1914	New South Wales.....	1914
British Columbia.....	1914	New York.....	1914-1915
California.....	1914	New Zealand.....	1914
Colorado.....	1914	North Carolina.....	1915
Connecticut.....	1915	North Dakota.....	1914
Cuba.....	1913	Nova Scotia.....	1914
Delaware.....	1914	Ohio.....	1914
District of Columbia.....	1914	Oklahoma.....	1915
England.....	1914	Oregon.....	1914
Florida.....	1915	Pennsylvania.....	1914
Georgia.....	1914	Prince Edward Isl'd.....	1914
Idaho.....	1914	Quebec	1915
Illinois.....	1914	Queensland.....	1914
Indiana	1914-1915	Rhode Island.....	1914
Iowa.....	1914	Saskatchewan	1914
Ireland.....	1914	Scotland	1914
Kansas.....	1915	South Australia.....	1914
Kentucky	1914	South Carolina.....	1914
Louisiana.....	1915	South Dakota.....	1914
Maine	1914	Tasmania	1915
Manitoba	1914	Tennessee.....	1915
Maryland.....	1914	Texas.....	1914
Massachusetts.....	1914	Utah.....	1915
Michigan.....	1914	Vermont	1914
Minnesota.....	1915	Victoria.....	1914
Mississippi.....	1915	Virginia.....	1914-1915
Missouri.....	1914	Washington.....	1914
Montana.....	1913	Western Australia.....	1914
Nebraska.....	1914	Wisconsin.....	1914
Nevada	1914	Wyoming	1914

ALABAMA.

The ninety-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Alabama was opened at Montgomery December 2nd, 1914. Henry Clanton Miller Grand Master. Lodges represented 410; unrepresented 140. Eight Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. William W. Brandon, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

Life is full of opportunities and of corresponding responsibilities, and it is our privilege as well as our duty to fill the pathway of our fellow-man with pleasure and happiness; that life is most valuable which exemplifies the highest standard of morality and culture, and that life is most happy which sets the best example of unselfish service to his fellow-man and loyal devotion to the principles of our fraternity.

The condition of the craft in Alabama gave him hope and encouragement. He said:

I consider the condition of the craft as good—not ideal—but very good indeed; the brethren are showing more interest in the study of Masonry than ever before, and consequently are living nearer in harmony with the principles of the fraternity than I have hitherto known. Some of the lodges have adopted the very commendable plan of having “intellectual feasts”—a campaign of education—rather than depending upon the banquetting hall in securing better attendance and stirring up some enthusiasm among the brethren. I commend this plan most heartily and unreservedly.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of eight new lodges.

Among the losses by death during the year were those of M. W. Bro. Rufus W. Cobb, who was Grand Master from 1881 to 1883; and of R. W. Bro. William Y. Titcomb, who had been the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence from the year 1898 till the time of his death. He was one of the most able, capable and brilliant of the corps of correspondents.

Two of the Grand Master's decisions are the following:

The proceedings of a meeting, other than those prescribed as public, should not be published. Therefore, it is unmasonic for the Secretary or any other member of a subordinate lodge to furnish to a newspaper the proceedings of a lodge, and it is the duty of the Worshipful Master to see that this law is not violated. This does not apply to election of officers.

One lodge cannot file with another lodge an objection which would, as a matter of law, prevent the petitioned lodge from electing a profane, even though the lodges have concurrent territorial jurisdiction.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence action on the application of the National Grand Lodge of France for recognition was deferred.

The Masonic home was reported to be in good condition, and doing good work. There were 60 inmates, and the cost of maintenance for eleven months was \$10,457, or \$190 for each inmate.

A resolution was adopted favoring "such local taxation as will make it possible for every community in Alabama to provide reasonable and equal educational opportunity for every child of school age." This does not necessarily imply co-education of blacks and whites, but that schools be provided for all children, whether black or white.

On the lamented death of Bro. Titcomb, the Grand Master appointed M. W. Bro. R. M. Cunningham chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence; but he found the duties to interfere with his business interests, and Bro. N. L. Mewhinney took up the pen. He presents a good and full report, and gives promise of doing work of permanent value. He arranges his report by subjects and not by jurisdictions.

Lodges in Alabama 553; members 27,548, a gain of 1,151.

Henry Clanton Miller, Birmingham, Grand Master.

George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Secretary.

ALBERTA.

The ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was opened at Banff May 27th, 1914. S. J. Blair Grand Master. Lodges represented 60; unrepresented 14. Three Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The address of the Grand Master was strictly a business paper, which gave evidence that M. W. Bro. Blair had been a very busy man during his term of office.

Among his first official acts were the consecration and constitution of nine lodges to which warrants had been granted by Grand Lodge.

Next he had visited each one of the eighty-six lodges in the jurisdiction. As a result of his observation when on this duty, he was able to report that Masonry had reached a very high standard in the province, and that every possible effort was being made still further to raise that standard.

He had attended the institution of three of the seven new lodges to which dispensations had been granted during the year.

He recommended that each lodge in the jurisdiction should become incorporated. In this jurisdiction the general opinion is that the disadvantages of incorporation outweigh the advantages, either for the Grand Lodge itself or for the individual lodges.

Bro. Blair had attended a number of lodges of instruction in various parts of the province. He said: "I am convinced that lodges of instruction are and always will be a source of great benefit, and am prompted by the experience of the past year to repeat the recommendation of my predecessor which appears elsewhere in this report."

A request for recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico was received, but action on it was deferred for a year.

The Grand Master renewed the recommendation of his predecessor, "That each lodge use every endeavor to secure property in their respective locality, as I believe with him, that it will have a strong tendency to increase the interest of the members, and be of great financial benefit in the future."

Among the deaths which the Grand Master was called on to deplore was that of M. W. Bro. J. J. Dunlop, who was Grand Master in 1911, and who died June 12th, 1913. He was the Grand Representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

The excellent report on Foreign Correspondence is by R. W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, who was elected Deputy Grand Master at the Grand Communication under review. From his general remarks we quote the following:

It has been proposed to hold a convention of delegates of the various Grand Lodges of America for the purpose of forming a central Masonic body with authority to enact laws and make measures binding upon the various jurisdictions participating therein. As each Grand Lodge is a sovereign and independent Masonic body, it would be unwise to allow such independence to be impaired by participating in such an organization.

An unwarranted attempt is being made by certain Masonic bodies, notably the Grand Orient of Italy, to establish symbolic lodges within American jurisdictions. It is a well recognized principle that no foreign jurisdiction has the right to invade the territory of another. Such lodges have been declared irregular and clandestine.

Lodges in Alberta 84, including nine under dispensation; members 6,039, an increase for the year of 873.

J. A. Jackson, Lethbridge, Grand Master.

George Macdonald, Calgary, Grand Secretary.

ARIZONA.

The thirty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Arizona was opened at Phoenix February 10th, 1914, Charles Miller Smith Deputy Grand Master, presiding. All the lodges in the state, 21 in number, including one under dispensation, were represented. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Benjamin Titus, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Deputy Grand Master was in the Grand East, Grand Lodge was declared to be opened "in ample form."

The only mention of the Grand Master in the proceedings is the statement that "owing to adverse circumstances the Grand Master did not present the usual annual address." The information necessary to the transaction of business was placed before Grand Lodge by the Grand Secretary.

During the year \$150 had been sent to flood sufferers in Ohio and an equal amount to Indiana, a very creditable measure of relief considering that the receipts on account of the General fund of Grand Lodge amounted to only \$3,000.

A warrant was granted to one lodge under dispensation.

A committee to gather material and prepare a history of Masonry in Arizona was continued in office.

The requirements prescribed for candidates in the state are declared to be as follow:

The person who desires to be made a Mason must be a man; no woman or eunuch; free born, being neither a slave nor the son of a bond woman; a believer in God and a future existence; of moral conduct; capable of reading and writing; having no maim or defect in his body that may render him incapable of learning the art, and physically able to conform literally to what the several degrees respectively require of him.

The Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico and the York Grand Lodge of Mexico were recognized and an exchange of representatives authorized.

The death was reported of M. W. Bro. Herbert Brown, who was Grand Master in 1906.

There is a Past Grand Masters' association in Arizona, which held its meeting on the 9th of February. In the course of a very interesting address the President, M. W. Bro. Morris Goldwater, called attention to the fact that an Arizona lodge had been permitted to hold a meeting and perform Masonic ceremonies in a canyon, and he strongly objected to such unmasonic displays. The home of the lodge was fixed by its warrant, and there was no good reason for meeting at any other place. He thought that "the whole show seems to have been an advertisement for the Santa Fe railroad." He was right. Masonry ought to be above vaudeville performances.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges in Arizona 21; members 2,324, a gain of 203.

Charles Miller Smith, Globe, Grand Master.

George J. Roskruge, Tucson, Grand Secretary

ARKANSAS.

The seventy-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas was opened at Little Rock November 17th, 1914. David I. Mills Grand Master. Lodges represented 454; unrepresented 71. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. T. M. Horsfall, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master spoke of peace and progress within the jurisdiction, of fraternal relations with other Masonic powers, of steady adherence to Masonic traditions, and of an extension of benevolent work.

No less than eighteen representatives of foreign Grand Lodges had ceased to be active, and the Grand Master had recommended the appointment of successors. It is not so stated, but the inference is that the brethren had ceased to attend the communications of Grand Lodge.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of eight new lodges.

Five corner stones had been laid by the Grand Master in person or his deputy.

The liquor question gives rise to trouble among the brethren in Arkansas. The Grand Master tells of it in this fashion:

One of the most important acts of this Grand Lodge at our annual communication in November, 1913, was passing the edict declaring it a Masonic offense to circulate or sign a petition for a liquor license. A short time after the close of the Grand Lodge I received quite a number of letters relative to the interpretation and enforcement of the law, and from several of the inquiries I was convinced that a spirit of insubordination prevailed in a few of the lodges, and that efforts would be made in some of them to prevent discipline where brethren refused to obey the law. I decided that quiet and persuasive means should be used as far as possible, to secure obedience and proper respect for the authority of Grand Lodge, but determined that nothing short of this would be satisfactory. I wrote many letters and after considerable correspondence, and in two or three instances, I was compelled to threaten arrest of charter. I am pleased to report that in every lodge the law was enforced and discipline administered, the penalties ranging from reprimand to expulsion. I am now firmly of the opinion that those brethren who conceived the idea that edicts of this Grand Lodge could be set at naught and the laws disobeyed at will, have been convinced by results that this great organization is the sole authority for determining the constituents of Masonic morals and is capable of enforcing obedience from those who wish to remain among this brotherhood.

A subordinate lodge had sent a memorial to the Grand Master, asking that a day or night be set apart in which special meetings might be held for the purpose of "offering thanks to the Almighty Father for the present national peace and happiness, and that the box of fraternal assistance may be placed upon our altars at that time, that every

brother may contribute his mite towards the relief of destitute, starving and suffering humanity." We do not learn that any action was taken respecting it.

A resolution was offered that Master Masons be required to stand examination in open lodge, and that those failing in that respect be not allowed to vote or hold office in the lodge. The committee to which this resolution was referred changed it to read: "Hereafter no Master Mason shall be installed as Master or Warden in any lodge unless he has passed an examination in open lodge as to his proficiency and been found proficient." In that form it was adopted.

Bro. George T. Black, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented a report, but it is not printed in the proceedings.

Lodges in Arkansas 562, including nine under dispensation; members, 20,962, a gain of 844.

Charles E. Rosenbaum, Little Rock, Grand Master.

Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The forty-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia was opened at Prince Rupert June 18th, 1914. William Henderson Grand Master. Lodges represented 56; unrepresented 12. Eight Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not. The comparatively small attendance was due to the fact that Grand Lodge was held in the far north. British Columbia is a country in which distances are great and the difficulties of travel many. Of the twelve District Deputy Grand Masters only four were in attendance; and of all the representatives of other Grand Lodges only twelve.

Bro. Henderson must have been a very busy man, for he seems to have visited nearly every part of his jurisdiction, constituting lodges, dedicating lodge rooms, laying corner stones, installing officers, and visiting lodges. In October, 1913, ten visits were made, and in May, 1914, eight.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of eight new lodges.

Another attempt was made during the year to swindle unsuspecting persons out of their money by conferring spurious degrees upon them, making them think they were becoming regular Masons. The ringleaders were arrested, and the principal offender was fined \$200. The magistrate who imposed the sentence said that if another attempt were made the sentence would be imprisonment.

In concluding his address the Grand Master said:

After visiting practically every portion of the jurisdiction, I feel that the time is ripe for this Grand Lodge to settle on some definite policy as to its place of meeting. With all deference to those brethren who reside in outlying portions of the province, there can be no doubt that the ends of the craft will be better served if we meet at the coast cities of Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster.

The Grand Secretary has the following respecting Masonry in British Columbia:

The condition of the craft in the jurisdiction continues to be very satisfactory. A fair increase has been made, both in the number of lodges and of members. For the most part the craft has been harmonious, only two or three cases occurring in which it was necessary to apply disciplinary measures to the lodge members.

One of the District Deputy Grand Masters calls attention to the fact that M. W. Bro. I. W. Powell, who was the first Grand Master of British Columbia, and who has been active in Masonry for more than half a century, is still a worker in the craft, and at a Masonic gathering delivered a most interesting address.

V. W. Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith, the Grand Secretary, continues the report on Foreign Correspondence, and gives his readers a highly interesting

account of the doings of other grand bodies. Bro. Smith is not a stereotyper, but has ideas of his own. He asks, "By the way, what is a blue lodge?" And it is not likely that he will get a satisfactory answer. But it would be both interesting and instructive to have from some competent authority an account of the manner in which blue came to be associated with craft Masonry. One writer says it was adopted as the color of the craft in the time of William the Third; another that it represents the sky.

Bro. Smith has misapprehended the action of M. W. Bro. Aubrey White in reversing the ruling of a Master of a lodge in 1912. The by-laws of the lodge required two black balls to reject a candidate. One black ball was cast, and the Master declared the candidate rejected. Appeal was taken to the Grand Master, who decided that the Master's ruling was wrong, and directed that the candidate be initiated. Bro. Smith points out that our constitution provides that "the result of the ballot having been declared by the Master, no further ballot is admissable." And then he points out that no further ballot was taken. He adds:

Certainly, in this case there was no further ballot, but the declaration was overridden by the Grand Master's fiat. It would appear, then, that the Grand Master went beyond the spirit, if not the letter of the law.

Not so: the candidate was elected to membership; the Master declared him not elected; appeal was taken to the Grand Master, who has power under the constitution to decide "questions of usage, order and Masonic law"; the Grand Master reversed the ruling of the Master of the lodge; and it was in strict accordance with justice and the constitution of this jurisdiction.

Lodges in British Columbia 77, including nine under dispensation; members 7,176, a gain of 550.

James Stark, Vancouver, Grand Master.

Dr. W. A. DeWolf Smith, box 189 New Westminster, Grand Secretary.

CALIFORNIA.

The sixty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of California was opened at San Francisco October 15th, 1914. John D. Murphey Grand Master.

In opening his address the Grand Master said: "This has been a banner year for Freemasonry in California. The reports in the hands of the Grand Secretary show a greater increase of membership than that of any antecedent year in our history. Thirteen dispensations for new lodges have been issued, in this respect also exceeding all previous records."

Speaking of the quality of the material received into the craft in the jurisdiction, he said:

It is surprising to one who has made no investigation how slight is the criminal element in our Masonic membership as disclosed by the number in this jurisdiction against whom charges for criminal offenses, Masonic or otherwise, have been preferred. Less than one in every twenty-five hundred Masons in California is prosecuted for crimes involving moral turpitude in the tribunals of the order, and little more than one-half of that number are actually found guilty and disciplined. This, of course, includes all prosecutions, whether for offenses designated as purely Masonic offenses, or violations of the penal statutes of the state.

He reported the death of M. W. Bro. James A. Foshay, who was Grand Master in 1899.

He reported that a member of a lodge in California, while residing in Nevada, was charged in a Nevada lodge with a Masonic offense, was tried, found guilty, and suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. A certified copy of the trial proceedings was forwarded to the California lodge of which the defendant was a member, and, on the strength of that transcript, he was indefinitely suspended by his own lodge. The Grand Master ruled that there was no warrant in law for the action of the California lodge, and disapproved of the finding, which left the accused in good standing in

California. At the same time he referred the question of principle and Masonic law to the Committee on Jurisprudence. This committee approved the decision of the Grand Master, and said: "if the judgment of the Nevada lodge *ipso facto* operated to deprive Brother Wall of his standing in this state, no judgment of suspension was essential in our Yolo lodge; if it did not have such an effect, he could not be deprived of his standing in our lodge without a trial therein."

It is pretty certain that there is no jurisdiction in the world in which Masonic relief is so liberally granted to foreign brethren as in California. The Grand Master is called upon to regret that this liberality is frequently imposed upon. For example, a brother holding a demit from a lodge in Scotland had resided in San Francisco for seven years, and had not affiliated. Then he applied to the board of relief for assistance. His application was refused because he was not a Mason in good standing. Thereupon he procured another demit from his mother lodge in Scotland, dated December 9th 1913, acknowledging that he had paid nothing for it. Appeals to private lodges in Scotland bring no return of moneys given for relief, not even acknowledgment. In this particular case a letter to the Grand Master in Scotland brought only a statement that the matter was "engaging the attention of the Grand Committee."

The Grand Master recommended recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France; but the Committee on Jurisprudence reported that the information before it did not warrant present action, and asked that the matter be referred to the committee for next year.

On recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence the Constitution was amended so as to require of candidates for initiation that they be able to comply "substantially" with all the requirements of the ceremonies.

A most unfortunate difference has arisen between the Grand Lodges of California and Massachusetts. A member of a lodge in Massachusetts was tried for a Masonic offense, found guilty, and expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. He removed to California, and after several years petitioned the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts that he be restored. The petition for restoration was refused, and a second petition shared the same fate. This result was communicated to the Grand Lodge of California. The expelled member, however, applied for affiliation in a lodge in California and was accepted. The acceptance was based on a letter from the Grand Secretary of Massachusetts which might be interpreted in two ways. It is unfortunate that two such noble Grand Lodges as those of Massachusetts and California should have any differences whatever.

M. W. Bro. Edward H. Hart submitted his sixth report on Foreign Correspondence, and it is as usual a good one. Bro. Hart has but a poor opinion of the conferences of Grand Masters, of which there have been several. He says:

It will, of course, be utterly impossible to create a general Grand Lodge. Masonic traditions and sentiment, and Masonic landmarks are all against this proposition, nevertheless, in our judgment, no good arises from these annual conferences and Grand Lodges generally ought to discourage them.

If it will be "utterly impossible to create a general Grand Lodge," it is not easy to see what harm the conferences can do; and one would think that exchanges of views between the rulers of the craft may do some good. For example, might not a plan be suggested by which the misunderstanding between California and Nevada could be reconciled?

Lodges in California 366; members 53,179, a gain of 2,922.

Benjamin F. Bledsoe, Los Angeles, Grand Master.

John Whicher, San Francisco, Grand Secretary.

COLORADO.

The fifty-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Colorado was opened at Denver September 15th, 1914. William S. Pickerill Grand Master. Lodges represented 118; unrepresented 8. Twenty-one Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. James R. Killian, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Immediately after the formal opening of Grand Lodge the representatives of sister Grand Lodges were welcomed by the Grand Master, who said: "As our nation is enjoying peaceful relations with the other nations of the world, a matter of much congratulation upon the part of all loyal citizens of our republic, so it is also a great pleasure to know that our grand jurisdiction is at peace with our sister grand jurisdictions here and across the seas."

Referring to the present war in Europe, Bro. Pickerill said:

Through all the vicissitudes of time Freemasonry has ever stood for liberty, justice and equality, and during the readjustments of the coming years its influence will be felt in the council chambers of the world, assisting to bring order out of chaos, and hastening the day of universal peace—when there shall indeed be a parliament of man, a federation of the world.

Twice during the year the Grand Lodge had been convened for the purpose of attending the funerals of Past Grand Masters. The first was that of Henry Moore Teller, who was born in 1830, went to Colorado in 1861, became interested in railways, was a member of the United States Senate, was Secretary of the Interior in the cabinet of President Arthur, filled other offices of responsibility and trust, and was Grand Master of Masons in Colorado in 1863. The Grand Master said: "The history of Colorado, of Colorado Masonry, and of our Grand Lodge in particular is his history."

Most Worshipful Brother George Edward Simon-ton was also a pioneer in Colorado. He was born in the territory in 1859, and was active in public affairs, and especially in Masonic affairs, during the whole of his mature years. He was Grand Master in 1912.

The Grand Master said that the membership throughout the jurisdiction showed a most satisfactory growth, that the finances of Grand Lodge were in a satisfactory condition, that harmony prevailed among the brethren, and that friendly relations subsisted with all foreign jurisdictions.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of three new lodges.

A beautiful Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to Bro. Pickerill on the installation of his successor.

M. W. Bro. Lawrence M. Greenleaf presented the report on Foreign Correspondence. The work was done with his accustomed ability and judgment; but Bro. Greenleaf explained that partial paralysis had affected his right arm, and he was compelled to cut short his work. Let us hope that the affliction will be but temporary.

Lodges in Colorado 126; members 16,758, a gain for the year of 619.

Charles H. Dudley, Colorado Springs, Grand Master.

Charles H. Jacobson, Denver, Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

The one hundred and twenty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut was opened at New Haven February 3rd, 1915. Edgar H. Parkman Grand Master. All the lodges in the state, 110 in number, were represented. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present. Also R. W. Bro. Clarence R. Austin, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada. Bro. Austin is now the Grand Master of Masons in Connecticut.

In the opening of his address M. W. Bro. Parkman said:

The Masonic fraternity in our own state of Connecticut, in common with most of its sister grand jurisdictions, has enjoyed a year of quiet but steady growth, distinguished by peace and harmony at home, by the most cordial and friendly relations with other jurisdictions, by greater social and philanthropic effort, by increasing usefulness to its members, and, I trust, to the community at large.

He announced the loss by death of M. W. Bro. Wilbur S. Comstock, who was Grand Master in 1913, and who died on the 14th of September, 1914.

No questions had been submitted to him for decision which could not be answered by reference to the constitution and the general regulations of Grand Lodge or to Lockwood's Masonic Jurisprudence.

He read a very interesting letter which he had received from M. W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, showing that the earliest lodges in Connecticut received their warrants from Massachusetts. The earliest of these was Hiram Lodge of New Haven, which was warranted in 1750, and which, at the age of a hundred and sixty-five years, still lives as Lodge No. 1, and has nearly a thousand members.

The Grand Master told at some length of his visit to the Grand Lodge of Canada to take part in the peace festival held in celebration of one hundred years of peace between Great Britain and the United States. In concluding this part of his address he said:

I shall never forget my first visit to Canada, made especially delightful by the gracious hospitality of our brethren of a foreign jurisdiction, whose words and acts repeated again the message of "peace on earth, good will toward men."

Some companies having used the word "Masonic" in their business advertisements, the Grand Master had issued a warning that "the Grand Lodge in no way countenances these enterprizes, nor can the fraternity be held even morally responsible for losses sustained thereby."

The report on Correspondence was written by M. W. Bro. George A. Kies, the Grand Secretary. Bro. Kies felt constrained by the bulk of the proceedings to condense his report, but that which is given is well written and always to the point. In his concluding remarks he said:

The matter of publishing Masonic news in newspapers, etc., is becoming a serious one. Such items are sometimes incorrect and often misleading, even when appearing in standard Masonic periodicals. Again, much is printed which should never become public. We believe it were far better for the fraternity if the newspapers could be prevented from even mentioning us. And it is certain that the most extreme discretion should be used in giving out information.

Lodges in Connecticut 110; members 25,378, a gain for the year of 598.

Clarence R. Austin, Danbury, Grand Master.

George A. Kies, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

CUBA.

We have received the Anuario of the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba for the Masonic year 1912-1913. It is in Spanish, and we regretfully acknowledge that we are unable to read it. There were quarterly and annual communications. There are 86 lodges, with 4,113 members. The receipts for the year amounted to \$9,270.35; expenditures about the same.

The following information is borrowed from the report of the Grand Lodge of New York:

In 1804 Pennsylvania had chartered seven, Louisiana three, and South Carolina two subordinate lodges in Cuba. These united to form the Spanish Grand Lodge of the York Rite of Cuba, March 27, 1818. Under Ferdinand VIII of Spain the lodges were driven out of existence through persecution, although two managed to survive, and, with a third, chartered by South Carolina, at Santiago de Cuba, united to form the present Grand Lodge, December 5, 1859.

Francisco Sanchez Curbelo, Havana, Grand Master.

Carlos G. Charles, Havana, Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

The one hundred and ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware was opened at Wilmington October 7th, 1914. Frank B. Massey Grand Master. Apparently all the lodges in the state were represented. R. W. Bro. William H. Weeks, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was present. Fourteen Past Grand Masters appeared.

The Grand Master was called upon to deplore the loss by death of M. W. Bro. Enoch Moore, who died July 29th, 1914.

There was a moderate increase in the membership throughout the jurisdiction, peace among the brethren, and friendly relations with other Masonic bodies.

The Grand Master had personally visited all the lodges in the state.

He had received a request to permit a chapter of the Eastern Star to meet in a Masonic lodge room. To the applicants he simply quoted a resolution of Grand Lodge—"That a subordinate lodge in this jurisdiction, whose lodge room has been dedicated and consecrated to Masonic uses, shall not sub-let nor allow the use of their rooms, or any part of them, for purposes of occupancy to any other society."

On recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands. Recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico was postponed.

The following resolutions were adopted:

That any lodge in the jurisdiction of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland, or any other jurisdiction, may perform the Masonic burial service in this jurisdiction over a deceased member of that other jurisdiction about to be buried in this jurisdiction; provided the same privilege be extended to the lodges in this jurisdiction.

That when a Grand Representative, near this jurisdiction, has absented himself three consecutive years from the annual communications of this Grand Lodge, the Most Worshipful Grand Master is hereby authorized to take the necessary steps to have a new Grand Representative appointed.

There is a brief but good report on Foreign Correspondence by M. W. Bro. Harry Jones Guthrie.

Lodges in Delaware 22; members 3,436, a gain of 78.

William E. Valliant, Laurel, Grand Master.

Virginius V. Harrison, Wilmington, Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia was held January 7th, 1914, for the purpose of attending the funeral of M. W. Bro. James Harvey McLeary, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, who died at Washington. Grand Master T. John Newton presided.

A stated communication was held March 9th, 1914, for the purpose of witnessing exemplifications of the work. T. John Newton, Grand Master. This was practically a lodge of instruction.

A stated communication was held May 13th, 1914. T. John Newton Grand Master. The invitation of the Grand Lodge of Oregon to participate in a meeting for the purpose of forming a national body was, on the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, declined. The committee held that there is no need for such a body, as the differences among existing bodies are "not in essentials," and the Grand Lodge could not be a party to it without losing some part of its independence.

A special communication was held July 25th, 1914, for the purpose of attending the funeral of M. W. Bro. Samuel Claxton Palmer, who was Grand Master in 1898.

The one hundred and fourth annual communication was held December 16th, 1914. T. John Newton, Grand Master. Lodges represented 28; unrepresented 2. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master reported peace, harmony and good fellowship throughout the jurisdiction, and cordial and friendly relations with all other grand jurisdictions.

A serious divergence of opinion had arisen between the Grand Masters of Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia. A profane, who had been a resident of Pennsylvania, received a government appointment, and moved to Washington. More than a year later he petitioned a Washington lodge, was accepted and initiated. The Grand Master of Pennsylvania said that, as this man had voted at his former home, he must be considered a citizen of Pennsylvania. The Grand Master of the District of Columbia said that, as he had actually resided at Washington, he was good material for the Washington lodge. And there you are.

The Grand Master had decided that Masters of lodges must not permit any brother below the rank of Warden or Past Master to preside in the lodge for any purpose whatever. After much discussion it was resolved by Grand Lodge that "the Master of a Lodge or a presiding Warden may call upon any Master Mason to preside in his presence and under his direction, the Master or acting Master being responsible for all that is done."

M. W. Bro. Newton had visited the Grand Lodge of Canada in July, and had participated in the celebration of the century of peace between Great Britain and the United States. Of that celebration he said:

There lingers in my memory the grace and dignity with which Grand Master McPherson presided; the orations of two distinguished clergymen; the remarks of visiting Grand Masters; the decoration of the large auditorium with the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes; the singing of patriotic songs of both the countries by school children; and the playing of the national airs of both countries by a military band. Too much cannot be said in praise of the generous, open-handed hospitality of our Canadian brethren, and of the many kindly attentions of Grand Master McPherson and the officers of the Grand Lodge. The visitors were quartered at the Hotel Clifton,

every facility was extended to them of visiting points of interest on both sides of the Falls, and they have yet to learn whether Uncle Sam's money is good on the Canadian side of the line.

An urgent appeal had been issued for aid to those who are suffering for want of the necessities of life through the war in Europe. The Grand Master said: "Only our Supreme Grand Master knows the complete distress, the extreme destitution and the full needs of these poor and unfortunate peoples. Let us show to the world what the great institution of Masonry stands for and is, and that our service is in truth not merely lip service." We have not yet learned what was the result of this appeal.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. George W. Baird, who always writes interestingly, always has something to say, and always puts his thought into idiomatic English. Of the Independent Grand Lodge of France, Bro. Baird says:

Since the annual communication of the Grand Lodge the writer has received a private letter from Paris, dated December 8th, which states that the New Independent Grand Lodge of France, etc., is but a sham Grand Lodge, is composed of two lodges and about sixty members in all; that it is not recognizable by the Grand Orient, nor the Grand Lodge of France, nor the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in France. That it has a Grand Master, a Pro-Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Provincial Grand Master, etc., and that "every one is a grand officer." He expresses the belief that the Grand Lodge of England will resent the trick which has been played on it.

Lodges in the District of Columbia 30; members 9,924, a gain of 376.

Alexander Grant, Washington, Grand Master.

Arvine W. Johnston, Washington, Grand Secretary.

ENGLAND.

At the quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of England held April 29th, 1914, the Duke of Connaught was proclaimed Grand Master for the ensuing Masonic year, Lord Ampthill Pro Grand Master, and the Right Honorable Thomas Frederick Halsey Deputy Grand Master.

In the course of his remarks Lord Ampthill said:

I have noticed with uneasiness and concern a growing tendency to imagine a sort of class or caste distinction between grand officers and those who are, wrongly as I believe, called "light blue Masons." No such distinction exists any more than there is a line between the officers and the ordinary members of a private lodge. We are all "light blue Masons" and every light blue Mason can become a grand officer if he has the requisite merit and ability as well as the desire for such distinction and responsibility.

Col. R. King Stewart and several officers of the Grand Lodge of Scotland were among the distinguished visitors.

At the quarterly communication held in June the Pro Grand Master announced that sums aggregating £4,500 had been granted to the National Lifeboat Institution; and he proposed that the return to England of the Duke of Connaught should be celebrated by further gifts to that body. Steps were taken to carry the suggestion into effect. Three hundred guineas were voted to aid widows of Newfoundland sealers whose lives had been lost.

A proposal was also made to celebrate the bicentenary of Masonry in 1917 in a fitting manner.

There was a long discussion as to the manner of selecting the committee to prepare the scheme of the new governing body. At the quarterly communication in September the whole scheme was postponed in consequence of the war.

At the September communication a grant of £4,000 was made to the Prince of Wales National Relief Fund, £1,000 to the Red Cross Society, and £1,000 for the relief of distress in Belgium. A resolution was adopted asking lodges throughout the jurisdiction to contribute to the relief of distress in Belgium caused by the war.

A special committee recommended that the grant to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution should be £6,000.

At the quarterly communication held in December the Duke of Connaught was again nominated for the office of Grand Master.

The Grand Junior Warden of the National Independent and Regular Grand Lodge of France was among the visitors.

Sir Edward Letchworth, Freemasons' Hall, London, is the Grand Secretary.

FLORIDA.

The eighty-sixth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Florida was opened at Jacksonville January 19th, 1915. Cephas L. Wilson Grand Master. Lodges represented 204; unrepresented 21. Ten Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Silas B. Wright, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master reported that the relations with other jurisdictions had been most friendly and cordial, and that Masonry was in a most excellent and flourishing condition in the state.

He lamented the death of M. W. Bro. Henry W. Long, at the age of 84. Bro. Long was Grand Master in 1889 and 1890, and was one of the most active and useful members of the craft in the state.

Eight lodges were constituted and consecrated during the year, and dispensations were granted for the formation of three new lodges.

There had been two special communications of Grand Lodge for the purpose of laying corner stones.

Among the rulings were the following: 1. A young man petitioned a lodge for initiation a short time before he attained his twenty-first year; but he was of full age when his petition was received by the lodge. Held that this was correct. 2. A man who had been rejected by a Pennsylvania lodge five years before, petitioned a Florida lodge for initiation. Held that the lodge might receive the petition. 3. Dimits may be granted by private

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lodges to Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts. 4. If a brother belonging to a sister Grand jurisdiction confer a degree in a Florida lodge he must use the work authorized by the Grand Lodge of Florida. 5. A man who had been rejected by a lodge in Illinois within five years petitioned a Florida lodge for initiation. Held that the petition could not be received, because "the grand jurisdiction of Illinois had jurisdiction over its rejected candidates for five years from the date of the rejection." It is not easy to reconcile rulings here marked 2 and 5. Pennsylvania claims perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material: Illinois claims jurisdiction for five years. If the Illinois claim be recognized why should not the Pennsylvania claim be recognized?

A candidate for a political office issued a card to the electors on which he printed his photograph placed within the square and compasses. The Grand Master called the attention of the Master of the lodge of which the candidate was a member to the matter, charges were preferred, and the candidate was suspended from membership for a term of six months.

On report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence Grand Lodge declined fraternal intercourse with the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Panama, and with the National Grand Lodge of France.

The very able and interesting report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Silas B. Wright, chairman of the committee. Bro. Wright calls attention to remarks in this report last year respecting the National Grand Lodge of France. It is probable that the facts in the case do not warrant the favorable opinion of that Grand Lodge then expressed. It will be safe to reserve judgment in this matter till further information is received.

Lodges in Florida 205; members 12,051, a gain of 607.

Cephas L. Wilson, Marianna, Grand Master.

Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary.

GEORGIA.

The one hundred and twenty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia was opened at Macon October 27th, 1914. Robert L. Colding Grand Master. Lodges represented 605; unrepresented 42. Five Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

The Grand Master reported that the Masonic Home was "in a very satisfactory condition."

"Our finances," he said, "are in a most gratifying condition, and we will be able to add to our surplus at the close of this grand communication."

He regretted that he was unable "to visit each and every lodge in Georgia." There are more than six hundred lodges in Georgia.

He had given many decisions. Practically all of them were mere interpretations of the law of the jurisdiction. He ruled that it is improper and unmasonic to constitute a Masonic lodge on the Sabbath day; and that it is perfectly proper for a Masonic lodge to attend Divine service in a body; also to hold a memorial service in honor of departed brethren on Sunday.

He had issued dispensations for the formation of eight new lodges. In one case a lodge was instituted under dispensation, and the fee for the dispensation was in the form of a check. When the check was presented at the bank on which it was drawn, there were no funds for its payment, and it was never paid. The warrant for the lodge was not sent. It is to be hoped that there are not many Masons in Georgia like those who desired to form Modoc lodge on worthless paper. Yet, in another case, charges were preferred against the secretary of a lodge. What the verdict of the lodge was is not stated, but appeal was taken against that verdict. The secretary refused to seal and certify the appeal, and then asked that the appeal be dismissed on account of the irregularity.

Bro. Charles L. Bass presented an excellent report on Foreign Correspondence. He had little of personal opinion to express, but gave an excellent summary of the doings of forty-four grand bodies.

Lodges in Georgia 654; members 40,458, a gain of 2,033.

N. H. Ballard, Brunswick, Grand Master.

W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary.

IDAHO.

An emergent communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, with M. W. Bro. Curtis F. Pike in the Grand East, was held at Boise, February 8th, 1914, for the purpose of attending the funeral of M. W. Bro. James A. Pinney, who was Grand Master in 1893, and who died on the 4th of February.

The forty-seventh annual communication was opened at Coeur d'Alene September 8th, 1914. Curtis F. Pike Grand Master. Lodges represented 50; unrepresented 11. Seven Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

R. W. Bro. George E. Knepper, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, called attention to the fact that Idaho had no memorial stone in the Washington monument at Washington. "Idaho" he said, "is not represented. The gem of the mountains, the peerless state, the home of stalwart men and fair women, has thus far failed to greet the visitor to this enduring structure through a neatly carved memorial stone typical of her loyalty to all that is good and great." Such an appeal as that could not fail of effect, and the Grand Master was authorized to have a stone prepared and placed.

The Grand Master reported peace at home, harmony abroad, and a fair measure of growth.

A lodge had elected and installed a Master who had not served as Warden, and who had no certificate of proficiency. Bro. Pinney declared the election

void, and directed the sitting Master to continue to rule the lodge until the next election. In another lodge the Master and both Wardens had left the jurisdiction, and it became necessary to hold a new election.

The Grand Master called attention to the fact that in Idaho a rejected candidate might in six months after his rejection apply to a lodge having concurrent jurisdiction, might be elected, "receive the degrees, and then return to visit the lodge that had rejected him but a few months previously." This, he thought to be a violation of the rights of the rejecting lodge. We are unable to see the matter in that light. The Master of the rejecting lodge is not compelled to receive that brother as a visitor, and it is his duty not to receive him if his presence in the lodge is objectionable to any member of that lodge. Let us take another view of the case: Suppose a member of a lodge black-balls a good man because of business differences or personal animosity. This occurs frequently in all jurisdictions. Is that good man to be kept out of Masonry forever?

Two lodges were constituted and consecrated during the year.

The Grand Master thought documentary evidence not necessary in all cases, but it might be demanded when the examining committee may think it desirable.

He was strongly opposed to the practice, which has grown up in Idaho, of smoking in lodge room during sessions of the lodge. He also strongly denounced electioneering and log rolling.

R. W. Bro. George E. Knepper presented a good and comprehensive report on the doings of sixty-eight jurisdictions. It was his thirteenth report, and it is to be hoped that there will be many more like it.

Lodges in Idaho 64; members 4,413, a gain of 401.

Andrew Christenson, Sandpoint, Grand Master.

Theophilus W. Randall, Boise, Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

The seventy-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was opened at Chicago October 13th, 1914. Henry T. Burnap Grand Master. Lodges represented 787; unrepresented 37. R. W. Bro. S. O. Spring, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was present.

Grand Master Burnap congratulated the brethren on the continued growth and prosperity of the fraternity; and added that relations with other jurisdictions continued to be friendly and cordial. Referring to the war in Europe he said:

While we rejoice that we live amid the blessings of peace and prosperity we cannot remain indifferent to the cries of suffering humanity in other lands. The time seems not far distant when the fraternity will have its greatest opportunity to demonstrate to the world that brotherly love and relief are truly among its most prized tenets and when the appeal comes I cannot but believe that our great institution will be found foremost among those organizations which will respond most promptly and with the greatest liberality.

He announced the death of Past Grand Master John Robert Thomas, who was shot and killed by a convict in the state penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma.

He had issued dispensations for the formation of ten new lodges; and nine lodges had been constituted and consecrated during the year.

The Masonic homes, Bro. Burnap reported, had been conducted in the usual satisfactory and efficient manner. A deceased brother had left a will under which \$50,000 will eventually be received for the Masonic home at Sullivan; and a further sum, estimated at \$100,000, will be added to the orphans' home fund. Other sums had been received for this noble charity, including \$50,000 from the Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

He advocated a change in the burial service to adapt it to the deposit of the ashes of brethren whose bodies may be cremated. He ventured the prediction that within the lifetime of some then present the

deposit of human bodies in the earth would, in densely populated districts, be prohibited by law. The recommendation was referred to a committee, which proposed the appointment of a special committee to deal with the matter and report at the next annual communication.

In the evening of the first day of the communication the seventy-fifth anniversary of the formation of Grand Lodge was celebrated. It was a grand celebration, and we regret that the space at our command does not permit us to quote liberally from the magnificent speeches delivered. It was stated that Masonic light first reached what is now the state of Illinois from Pennsylvania, and that the first lodge was formed at Kaskaskia in 1805. Soon after Illinois became a state the Grand Lodge was organized at Vandalia, the Governor of the state being its first Grand Master.

On behalf of the employment bureau of Chicago it was announced that, since its inception in 1905, the bureau had placed in employment 3,077 applicants. The average cost of securing positions had been \$3.49 each.

Bro. Burnap was re-elected Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Owen Scott continues the report on Masonic Correspondence, and does most excellent work. He points out that last year this reviewer gave the receipts of the Grand Lodge of Illinois at \$60,000, and points out that it was about double that sum. Evidently we gave the receipts on behalf of the general fund, and failed to notice those for the charity funds. Thanks for the correction. Bro. Scott appears to be disturbed because the Grand Master in this jurisdiction is said to have been "on the throne" when Grand Lodge was opened. Well, Canadian Masons are somewhat conservative, and they prefer the term made venerable by the usage of centuries rather than the innovation of "the oriental chair." Liddell and Scott tell us that thronos (from which we get the word throne) was "a seat, chair," and in a secondary sense, "a chair of state, throne; the chair of a

judge, teacher, etc." But the word which was good enough for republican Athens in the days of Pericles is not good enough for republican Chicago in the days of Carter Harrison. Perhaps the most celebrated throne in the world, that on which the sovereigns of England have been crowned since the days of Edward the first, is intrinsically worth about two dollars and a half.

Lodges in Chicago 824; members 130,778, an increase for the year of 8,136. The number raised throughout the jurisdiction for the year was 11,006.

Henry T. Burnap, Alton, Grand Master.

Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, Grand Secretary.

INDIANA.

The ninety-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was opened at Indianapolis May 26th, 1914. John W. Hanan, Grand Master. Lodges represented 545; unrepresented 7. Seventeen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Elias J. Jacoby, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master congratulated the brethren on the prosperity of the craft within the jurisdiction, he said:

The year just closing has in every way been a most prosperous one. Nature has yielded abundantly to the necessities of life and our glorious republic is blessed with great prosperity. Masonry has kept well up abreast with the advancement of the world. This has been a banner year for Masonry within this jurisdiction. It has made the largest increase in membership of any year in its history. The membership has now reached the astounding figure of over sixty-six thousand, an increase of over three thousand during the year.

But he pointed out that numbers are not everything. The question is what Masonry is and what it is doing. He said:

It is not a question what Masonry was centuries ago, but the question is what is Masonry today? This world is progressing. All societies and institutions must progress or decline. The true Mason knows and understands that

there must be a development and an extension of the moral and social life of man. Because Masonry antedates nearly all other societies and organizations that of itself would not prove its usefulness.

During the year Bro. Hanan had constituted and consecrated eight lodges and had granted dispensations for the formation of three new lodges. He had suspended the charter of one lodge because of failure to make returns to Grand Lodge.

Fourteen corner stones had been laid, and eleven lodge rooms dedicated by the Grand Master or his deputy.

He recommended a change in the constitutional law to enable a member removing to another state to retain membership in his mother lodge in case of failure to secure membership in the lodge at his new home.

The Grand Secretary reported that there were \$25,000 in the general fund and \$145,000 in the fund for establishing a Masonic home.

The Grand Inspector reported the lodges to be in good condition and doing good work. He said:

Our Masonic standards are high in Indiana, brotherly love prevails, and every moral and social virtue cements us, and I am sure, brethren, that as a rule, all the ritualistic ceremonies as now exemplified in our lodges and the excellent Masonic conditions that prevail therein will compare favorably with those of any other grand jurisdiction in the world.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that, while the York Grand Lodge of Mexico was regular and deserving of every Masonic courtesy, yet, in view of the unsettled conditions prevailing in the republic, recognition had better be deferred. Recognition of the Grand Lodge of Egypt was also deferred.

The Indiana report is ornamented by numerous illustrations of Masonic temples in various parts of the state.

M. W. Brother Daniel MacDonald is chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and has for many years written the report; but, owing

to infirmity due to advancing years, he desired to retire from that position. The brethren refused to accept his resignation, but assigned to M. W. Bro. Elmer F. Gay, a member of the committee, the duty of writing the report. Bro. Gay has done his work in a workmanlike manner, and in a spirit of fairness.

1915.

The ninety-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was opened at Indianapolis May 25th, 1915. Martin A. Morrison Grand Master. Lodges represented 550; unrepresented 4. Eighteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Elias J. Jacoby, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master announced that the membership exceeded seventy thousand, and that the growth of the fraternity throughout the state had been steady, healthy and substantial. Further, he said, relations with other grand jurisdictions had been cordial throughout the year.

Two lodges had been constituted during the year, and dispensations had been granted for the formation of two new lodges.

A member of an Indiana lodge went to Florida; there sickness fell upon him and he subsequently died. The officers of his lodge in Indiana were notified, and they sent twenty dollars to aid their needy brother. But the brethren at Jacksonville had expended \$110, and they asked for a refund of the \$90. The Indiana lodge refused, on the ground that its members were paying for their temple, and they could not afford further assistance. This refusal was condemned by the Grand Master, who said that, while the lodge in question might have lived up to its legal obligation, it had not recognized its moral obligation. On recommendation of the committee on Jurisprudence Grand Lodge adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge disapproves the action of Centennial Lodge No. 541, and declares the spirit manifested by said Centennial Lodge to be contrary to the principles and practices of the Masonic fraternity in this grand jurisdiction.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that, owing to the unsettled conditions in Mexico, recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico be deferred; that the committee had not been able to get trustworthy information respecting the National Grand Lodge of Egypt, and that action on the application for recognition of that body be postponed; and that a like request from the Independent and Regular Grand Lodge of France be referred back to the committee to be reported on at some future time.

The committee on Jurisprudence made two important recommendations, both of which were adopted:

1. That no lodge shall be incorporated under the voluntary association law of the state of Indiana until the lodge shall have first adopted the proposed articles of association and the same shall have been by the lodge certified to the Grand Master and shall have been approved by him.

2. It is hereby recommended that all subordinate lodges within this grand jurisdiction be and they are hereby required to confer the degrees in their entirety, including all ceremonies and lectures provided in the authorized ritual of this Grand Lodge and that all of the same be given and conferred in the same session.

Lodges in Indiana 557; members 70,014, an increase of 3,822.

Charles P. Benedict, Indianapolis, Grand Master.

Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

The seventy-first annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was opened at Des Moines June 9th, 1914. Frank B. Whitaker Grand Master. Lodges represented 470; unrepresented 50. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present. Iowa does not exchange representatives with other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the people of Des Moines Bro. the Rev. A. B. Leamer welcomed the members of Grand Lodge to the city; and to his address Bro.

the Rev. J. F. Newton responded on behalf of the Grand Master. In the course of his remarks the latter gentleman said:

If ever the time should come—which God forbid—that the most hallowed of all liberties is openly assailed or craftily undermined, this great order will stand as a tower of strength in its defense. There is, however, no danger of such a peril so long as we are alert and watchful—none at all, unless there should be a fading of ideals, a decay of manhood, and a base betrayal of the faith of our fathers. We are builders. Our work is constructive, not destructive. What we have to do is to broaden the skirts of light, and by as much as we do that, by so much do we dispel the darkness of bigotry and ill-will. Our spirit is not a spirit of strife, save that noble contention or rather emulation as to who can best exemplify in his life the simple and exalting principles of Masonry.

The address of the Grand Master was for the most part a business document. Two lodges had been constituted, and a dispensation granted for the formation of one new lodge.

Bro. Whitaker had traveled 15,000 miles, had visited the Grand Lodges of Missouri and Florida, and the Alexandria-Washington Lodge at Alexandria. He had initiated eight candidates, passed two and raised thirty-five. His visits throughout the jurisdiction encouraged him to think that Masonry in Iowa was about all right. He said:

Missouri maintains a Masonic home of which they are justly proud. Elegantly situated, equipped with all modern conveniences, it is a beautiful place, yet I am of the opinion that the "Iowa system" is better and accomplishes the same results with less expense.

The "Iowa system" is that which has been practiced in this jurisdiction for sixty years.

The Grand Master had appointed a committee on Masonic research, and that committee had made a good beginning, while better things were expected in the future. But it had had time for a beginning only.

Recently the Grand Chaplain, Bro. Joseph F. Newton, has written a short history of Freemasonry. A committee reported in favor of having a copy of this history presented to each candidate on being raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason.

An interesting event was the presentation to Grand Lodge of seven brethren, members of Grand Lodge, who had been Masons for fifty years or more. Joseph M. Griffith, who was in the ninety-second year of his age, was Junior Grand Warden in 1861; Bro. R. D. Minard had been a Mason sixty-two years and was a delegate to Grand Lodge in 1859; Bro. Nathan Scofield had been a Mason sixty years and was a delegate to Grand Lodge in 1858. Bro. L. N. Wilson had been a member fifty-seven years; Bro. Charles T. Granger, Past Grand Master, had been a Mason fifty-five years; Bro. James D. Gamble, Past Grand Master, had been a Mason fifty-four years; and Bro. W. F. Fidler who was Grand Senior Warden in 1878, had been a Mason fifty years.

The Iowa volume of proceedings makes a volume of between 500 and 600 pages, and is a monument of industry, faithful secretarial work, and typographic excellence.

M. W. Bro. Louis Block has returned to the chairmanship of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, and it is unnecessary to say that his work is well done. His report fills more than 250 pages, and is a careful and comprehensive summary of the doings of all sister Grand Lodges.

Lodges in Iowa 521; members 49,550, a gain for the year of 1,965.

Charles W. Walton, Dubuque, Grand Master.

Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

IRELAND.

As usual the report issued by the Grand Lodge of Ireland tells us very little. The stated communication held at Dublin December 28th, 1914, was made the occasion for some information, but not much. The Grand Master, the Earl of Donoughmore, was unable to be present; and we fancy that a good many besides the Earl have just now sterner business in hand than attendance upon lodge meetings of any kind.

The Deputy Grand Master, Sir Charles A. Cameron, made a short address, in the course of which he said:

I would like to express our very great sympathy with those brethren who have lost dear relatives fighting valiantly and heroically for their country in the cause of right and justice. I have personally to regret the death of several of my dearest friends and one relative who died fighting at the front. A good many of my friends and acquaintances have had killed or wounded amongst the members of their families. Out of my own lodge sixteen members went to the front and four were wounded—one very dangerously, and one is a prisoner. Of these, two were also members of the lodge attached to the 5th Royal Irish Lancers, which was constituted only a short time before the war broke out.

The Deputy Grand Secretary reported that, in response to an appeal issued in October, about £3,000 had been raised for war relief. The following is an interesting scrap of Irish Masonic history:

On the 11th day of June was constituted by the R. W. Deputy Grand Master the Quis Separabit Lodge No. 595, attached to the 5th Royal Irish Lancers. Some three or four hundred brethren assembled on the occasion, and gave the newly formed lodge an enthusiastic send off. It would have been impossible to foresee that the members of the lodge then meeting in peace and harmony would be engaged in a life and death struggle in France less than two months afterwards. It was one of the first regiments of cavalry to be sent to the front, and before the new lodge had time to settle down to its regular business its warrant and property were deposited with Grand Lodge, and its members hastily departed to the field of war. There are altogether nine regimental lodges under the Irish constitution, three of which date back to the eighteenth century, 295, 4th Dragoon Guards, established in 1758; 322, the Worcester Regiment, in 1759, and 570, 5th Dragoon Guards, 1780, and many of these regiments are gallantly doing their duty in the present crisis.

There are about five hundred lodges holding under the Grand Lodge of Ireland. Warrants were granted last year for five new lodges.

Lord Plunkett is Grand Secretary; but all communications should be addressed to the Deputy Grand Secretary, H. E. Flavelle, Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth Street, Dublin.

KANSAS.

The fifty-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Kansas was opened at Wichita February 17th, 1915. Charles H. Chandler Grand Master. Lodges represented 342; unrepresented 64. Twelve Past Grand Masters. were present; also W. Bro. John C. Ketcheson, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

When last we met the numerical strength of the craft in this jurisdiction was 40,668. Our membership on December 31st, 1914, was 42,412, making a net gain for the year of 1,744. Peace, prosperity and happiness reign supreme within our borders, and the most pleasant and cordial fraternal relations exist between this and all other jurisdictions with whom we are in fraternal correspondence.

He deplored the death, on the 12th of July, 1914, of M. W. Bro. Fred. Washbon, who was Grand Master in 1909.

During the year four lodges were constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were granted for the formation of five new lodges. Seven corner stones had been laid with Masonic ceremonies, and two Masonic halls had been dedicated. For the most part the address dealt with matters of interest in Kansas only.

On the recommendation of the committee on Foreign Correspondence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized. An application for recognition from the National Grand Lodge of Egypt was deferred for further information.

The excellent and comprehensive report on Correspondence was by M. W. Bro. Matthew M. Miller, the senior Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction. It was his thirteenth report.

Lodges in Kansas 411; members 42,412, a gain of 1,883.

William L. Burdick, Lawrence, Grand Master.

Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

The one hundred and fourteenth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was opened at Louisville October 20th, 1914. Orie S. Ware Grand Master. Twenty-two Past Grand Masters were present.

In opening his address the Grand Master said: "As we pass from one year to another we are pleased to note the healthful and steady increase in our membership and the development of worthy brethren to carry on our great cause."

He deplored the loss by death of two Past Grand Masters—M. W. Bro. John Waldron Landrum, who was Grand Master in 1902-1903; and M. W. Bro. Henry Bostwick, who was Grand Master in 1874-1875, and who was eighty-six years old at the time of his death. For many years he had occupied in Grand Lodge the chair at the right of the Grand Master as the oldest living Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction.

Bro. Ware had decided that "a lodge cannot receive a petition for initiation from a man one-eighth to one-sixteenth negro."

It had been his unpleasant duty to arrest the warrants of two lodges during the year.

He had permitted a lodge to change its name from Logos to Pewee. One would think the former name more dignified than the other.

Of the Old Masons home the Grand Master said: "In the place of an old and inadequate house we now have a large and commodious new building, with all modern improvements, surrounded by 165 acres of valuable land. This is another monument to our credit, and the appraised value of the real and personal estate of this home is \$70,825, all of which is fully paid."

There is also a Masonic Widows' and Orphans' home, of which Bro. Ware said: "It is the model of any charitable institution in Kentucky, offering unexcelled advantages in moral, religious and educational development to our boys and girls."

The Grand Master regretted that there was great want of uniformity in the work throughout the jurisdiction, and recommended a cipher ritual containing "the work in each degree and a catechism or lecture in each degree, excepting therefrom the strictly esoteric parts." But Grand Lodge refused to sanction this.

Recognition was accorded the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands.

M. W. Bro. George B. Winslow, the new Grand Master, made a strong and eloquent appeal for \$60,000 which was needed for the erection of new buildings for the Widows' and Orphans' home. This, however, must be carried to the craft throughout the jurisdiction.

The report of the committee on Proceedings of Grand Lodges is by M. W. Bro. William W. Clarke, and gives evidence of faithful and conscientious work and sound judgment.

M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, of this jurisdiction, having decided that, objection being made to the installation of a Master elect, a show of hands on the question was sufficient, and that a ballot was not necessary, Bro. Clarke says: "The Master having been elected, we supposed that in all jurisdictions that settled the matter." Not in this, Bro. Clarke: our constitution provides that at the installation and investiture of the officers of a lodge the Installing Master shall enquire whether the election of the Master-elect shall be confirmed. If objection be made it is the duty of the Installing Master to ascertain the extent of the objections. The ruling of M. W. Bro. White was that this might be done by a show of hands, and that a ballot was not necessary.

Bro. Clarke is also very much afraid of "centralization" in Masonry. By which he means that Grand Masters and Grand Lodges usurp too much power, and that the constituent lodges are becoming the mere creatures of the central body. It is hard to understand how that can be. In Kentucky, for

example, there are nearly six hundred warranted lodges, and these are all represented in Grand Lodge. The Masters and Wardens of the lodges elect the Grand Masters and officers of Grand Lodge. They vote on all questions before Grand Lodge. They make all the laws of Grand Lodge. How can the Grand Master control the power that makes him? Is the creature greater than the creator?

Lodges in Kentucky 591, including nine under dispensation; members 42,139, a gain for the year of 1,680.

George B. Winslow, Carrolton, Grand Master.

Dave Jackson, Louisville, Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

The one hundred and fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was opened at New Orleans February 1st, 1915. James H. Caldwell Grand Master. Lodges represented 187; unrepresented 35. Seven Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

Grand Master Caldwell said that during the year no confusion had occurred to disturb the working of the craft. Foreign relations had been cordial. He had been unable to attend the communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada at Niagara Falls and to join in the peace celebration; but was sure that if he had been able to attend he would have seen a beautiful country and had "the time of his life."

He was decidedly of opinion that a change ought to be made in the constitution so that one ballot would elect a candidate to all the three degrees. At present a separate ballot is required for each degree, and it sometimes happens that a man who has paid his money and received one or two degrees is permitted to go no further, and enjoys none of the benefits of Masonry.

He was loud in praise of the Louisiana Relief Lodge, which finds employment and gives assistance in cases where the funds of individual lodges are insufficient to meet cases of need. Of that lodge he said:

Is a brother sick, he is visited; is he in distress, he is relieved; has he sorrows, they are comforted; is he without employment, positions are secured for him, and should death overtake him, he is given sepulture. The day never becomes too dreary, the nights too dark or cold, nor business too pressing, to prevent them from answering the call of duty, and I heartily endorse everything that has been before said in its favor, laying special stress upon the present administration of its affairs.

A member of one of the lodges shot and killed a man; he was tried by a criminal court, found guilty of manslaughter, and sentenced to a term in the state penitentiary. Then charges of unmasonic conduct were preferred against him in his lodge, and he was found not guilty. Thereupon the Grand Master sent a strong remonstrance to the District Deputy Grand Master, pointing out that the incident was a disgrace to Masonry. He said he would be justified in suspending the charter of the lodge; but demanded a reopening of the case in the lodge. Action was taken anew, and the offending brother was expelled.

During the year dispensations were issued for the formation of four new lodges.

The Grand Secretary reported receipts in excess of all expenditures, and the estimate of the committee on Audit and Accounts for 1915 was that the receipts would be \$46,764 and the expenditures \$35,930.

Louisiana Relief Lodge reported that it had expended in relief during the year \$9,390.60.

R. W. Bro. Herman C. Duncan, the Grand Chaplain, is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence. He explains that he was nearly put out of business by illness which compelled him to seek assistance in writing his report. Let us hope that he has by this time regained his health.

Lodges in Louisiana 226, including four under dispensation; members 16,885, an increase of 1,002.

Alfred W. Cheesman, Shreveport, Grand Master.

John A. Davilla, New Orleans, Grand Secretary.

MAINE.

The ninety-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine was opened at Portland May 5th, 1914. Elmer P. Spofford Grand Master. Lodges represented 118; unrepresented 15. Nine Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

In his address the Grand Master was able to review the past with satisfaction and to look to the future with hope. He said:

I congratulate you upon the happy conditions attending the opening of this Annual Communication. Freemasonry in Maine is enjoying great prosperity; peace and goodwill prevail throughout our jurisdiction and our foreign relations continue cordial and fraternal. Our constituent lodges are active and earnest in their efforts to advance the interests of the craft, and our members are united and untiring in their endeavors to promote the great and beneficent purposes of the institution. The membership of the lodges, too, is increasing by a gradual and healthy growth—the net gain during the past year being 422—making the present total membership 30,294.

He reported that at a dinner which had been tendered to the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Stephen Berry, who had served Grand Lodge for fifty-eight years, a loving cup had been presented to that most faithful and highly efficient brother.

Among Bro. Spofford's decisions the following are of general interest: 1. An accusation signed by a Master Mason who at the time stands suspended for non-payment of dues is "under the signature of a Master Mason," within the meaning of the constitution, and may be received and acted upon by the lodge. 2. The Grand Master cannot authorize

the conferring of a degree by one lodge upon the candidate of another lodge without setting aside the provisions of standing regulation No. 15, which is not permissible.

The Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized and an exchange of representatives ordered.

An application for recognition of the Grand Lodge of Egypt was not granted.

On the second day of the communication the Worshipful Master and officers of Deering Lodge, Portland, exemplified the Master Mason degree for the instruction of the brethren.

The committee on Grievances and Appeals reported that nothing had been before it during the year for consideration—"an evidence of harmony," the chairman said, "upon which we desire to congratulate the craft."

It was resolved to install the card system of registration, the cost of which, it was estimated, would be \$800.

The Grand Treasurer reported that the invested funds of Grand Lodge amounted to \$54,900.

The District Deputy Grand Masters made brief but satisfactory reports. There are twenty-five districts in Maine, with an average of about eight lodges to a district.

M. W. Bro. Albro E. Chase presented a very ample and excellent report on Foreign Correspondence, covering the proceedings of seventy Grand Lodges, five of the reports being for two years each. Bro. Chase is kindly, appreciative and comprehensive in his report. On a single point we shall take the liberty of disagreeing with him. Under British Columbia he quotes Grand Master Rudd that "a brother could not be admitted to the lodge while the ballot was being taken," and said: "This may be a correct ruling, but we do not like it. The brother asking admission could create no great disturbance by alarming the lodge; the one who

answered the alarm could have been so directed, and when the brother had been properly received he could have been told by the W. M. the particular business the lodge was then upon." We cannot agree with Bro. Chase at all. The taking of the ballot is a very important piece of business, and it should be conducted without confusion or interruption. The brother who cannot get to the lodge within a reasonable time after the hour set for opening must not complain if he is required to wait in the ante-room till it is convenient and proper for the Master to receive him. Nor do we think the door should be opened at any time when business is before the lodge. There are times between orders of business when members and visitors may be admitted without disturbance, but at other times the door should be kept shut.

Lodges in Maine 203; members 30,294, an increase of 422.

Thomas H. Bodge, Augusta, Grand Master.

Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary.

MANITOBA.

The thirty-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was opened at Brandon June 10th, 1914. Edward M. Walker Grand Master. Lodges represented 60; unrepresented 14. Nine Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Archbishop Matheson, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Mayor of Brandon, Bro. Joseph H. Hughes, welcomed the members of Grand Lodge to the city. The address was suitably responded to by the Grand Master.

Bro. Walker reported that one special communication of the Grand Lodge had been held during the year for the purpose of laying a corner stone.

In the opening of his address he said:

Freemasonry recognizes no special theological doctrine or political opinion, no special nationality or sect. It is founded on the broad trinity of the fatherhood of God, the brotherhood of man and the immortality of the soul.

It embraces men differing widely in religious, political and economic and other opinions: men representing widely different spheres in life. It affords a meeting place where all such differences are subordinated, and where all stand on a common level, alike, equals and brothers; on a plane where manhood is made the basis of life, and where allegory, symbol and precept direct the way to a wider and stronger brotherhood and a higher evolution. It admonishes a man to rise superior to ignorance, bigotry, persecution, superstition and other associate abominations peculiar to the dark ages, to practice brotherly love, relief and truth, and to stand unspotted before the world. It expounds the noblest maxims and principles of action of which the mind has conception, and thus presents an ideal beyond human attainment.

With two exceptions, the Grand Master said, the district meetings had resolved themselves into lodges of instruction.

He was gratified to note the substantial increase in membership of lodges throughout the jurisdiction.

Two lodges had been constituted and consecrated during the year, and dispensations were issued for the formation of two new lodges.

The Board of General Purposes reported against having anything to do with the formation of a general grand lodge, as proposed by the Grand Lodge of Oregon; but favored a joint meeting of the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia at Banff.

On recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized.

The special committee appointed to consider the Grand Master's address favored a two-year term for Grand Masters, and the report was adopted.

Lodges in Manitoba 76, including two under dispensation; members 6,299, a gain for the year of 474.

Lynds S. Vaughan, Selkirk, Grand Master.

James A. Ovas, Winnipeg, Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND.

The semi-annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maryland was held at Baltimore May 12th, 1914. The Deputy Grand Master presided. It was purely a business meeting.

A charter was granted to one lodge under dispensation.

An amendment to the constitution was adopted providing that in cities having twenty thousand or more inhabitants the degrees shall not be conferred for a less fee than \$50, nor for less than \$25 in other places.

The Grand Master was authorized to make arrangements to celebrate "the birth in this city (Baltimore) of the national Anthem (The Star-Spangled Banner.)"

A special communication was held at Baltimore May 26th, 1914, for the purpose of constituting and consecrating a lodge to which a charter had been granted.

A special communication was held at Port Deposit June 15th, 1914, to assist the local lodge in celebrating its centennial.

The one hundred and twenty-eighth annual communication was held at Baltimore November 17th, 1914. Thomas J. Shryock Grand Master. All the lodges in the state, 116 in number, were represented. The Grand Master delivered an address, giving a review of the past year's work, which, the report says, "was of interest only to this Grand Lodge."

He announced that, in conjunction with the bodies of the Scottish Rite, he had established a Masonic free milk and nursery station for sick children in Baltimore.

M. W. Bro. Thomas J. Shryock was elected and installed Grand Master for the thirtieth time.

The chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence is R. W. Bro. the Rev. Henry Branch, Grand Chaplain. In his introduction Bro. Branch says:

The blue lodge not only lays the corner stone, but is itself the foundation on which all genuine Freemasonry is builded. It cannot be used even as a stepping-stone, it is fundamental and it is inspirational, holding the very germ which may and must develop into something better, yet you must "look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged."

The distinction between order and fraternity is being ignored: sometimes the words are used interchangeably, more frequently the word order is used. It is not to criticize this "modern" invention, though I confess to a weakness to the word "Antient," as the English spell it. An order is conferred, a fraternity is a confession or recognition of equal rights, enjoyed, inherited, if you please, but first in a man's own heart; not solicited nor invited, much less urged; but somehow there is a drawing, a leaning, a yearning and he finds fellowship in kindred spirits. It is the soul seeking after light, if haply he may find it.

Pardon us for pointing out, Bro. Branch, that "Antient" Masonry recognizes the lodge as a "craft" lodge. The report on Correspondence is pleasant reading.

Lodges in Maryland 117; members 16,650, a gain for the year of 648.

Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Grand Master.

George Cook, Masonic Temple, Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS.

There is so much in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for the year 1914 that the reviewer hardly knows how to deal with it. It makes a volume of 700 pages, and includes reports of four quarterly communications, fourteen special communications, and one stated communication on the occasion of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, being the one hundred and eighty-first anniversary. There are, in addition, five valuable and carefully prepared lectures "on the Philosophy of Masonry" by W. Bro. Roscoe Pound, LL.D.

The special communications were for the purpose of laying corner stones, dedicating Masonic buildings, and attending centennial celebrations.

At the quarterly communication held in June, the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, said: "Massachusetts alone, of the jurisdictions maintaining a home, levies no per capita tax of any kind. It does, however, require each initiate to contribute \$5 towards the permanent Masonic home fund."

He had frequently been asked to grant dispensations for the conferring of degrees in less than the constitutional period, most of which he had refused. He said:

I have made a careful study of the ancient usages of the fraternity in this connection, as well as of the present practice in other jurisdictions, and am satisfied that the proper rule is that dispensations to confer degrees in less than the constitutional interval of four weeks should be granted only in cases of necessity or of extraordinary emergency. They should not be granted merely for convenience, either of the candidate or of the lodge.

The committee on Charters and By-Laws called attention to the fact that some lodges provided in their by-laws for the expulsion of members who failed to pay their dues; and pointed out that particular lodges cannot expel brethren: that power resides only in the Grand Lodge.

An application for recognition was received from the National Grand Lodge of France. M. W. Bro. Charles T. Gallagher, chairman of the committee on Foreign Jurisdiction, spoke against recognition, and nothing appears to have been done with the application. Bro. Gallagher's request for information as to the standing and principles of the new body elicited no reply.

At the quarterly communication held in September M. W. Bro. Johnson delivered a highly interesting and very valuable address on "the establishment and early days of Masonry in America." It was largely a controversial paper, as its purpose was to prove that Masonry in a regular and legitimate form first made its appearance in America

in Boston, in 1733, and that Henry Price was in that year appointed by Viscount Montague, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, to be Provincial Grand Master of New England "and dominions and territories thereunto belonging." Bro. Johnson does not deny that Masons made in the old lodges before the organization of the Grand Lodge of England met in various places and held intercourse as Masons; but his point is that such were not Masons in the sense now commonly accepted. He said:

There is no historical record or even authentic Masonic tradition to justify the belief that a warranted, deputed, or chartered lodge existed in the western hemisphere prior to 1733, nor is such claimed by brother Sachse for Pennsylvania. It is undoubtedly true that so-called lodges met in this country prior to that time. That is to say, undoubtedly where several Masons found each other in a city or town, they gathered together and presumed to hold a lodge, as had been the old custom. But after 1721 these lodges were not regular, although those who presumed to hold them had undoubtedly been regularly made elsewhere.

The contention, then, is that the first authorized official of the Grand Lodge of England in America was Henry Price; that he received his commission in 1733; that he was practically appointed for all of the British colonies in North America; that Benjamin Franklin and other Masons in Philadelphia recognized Price's authority; and that there was no other legitimate Masonry in America for many years afterwards.

The whole of Bro. Johnson's argument is so valuable and interesting that it is to be hoped it will be separately published for the information of Masonic students.

In the course of his argument M. W. Bro. Johnson said that the Provincial Grand Lodge of New South Wales "existed earlier than June 24th, 1727." This is surely a misprint. There could not have been any Masonry in New South Wales at the time mentioned, and indeed there was no New South Wales. Undoubtedly Australia was known to the Portuguese and the Dutch in the latter

part of the sixteenth century; and English navigators visited its shores in the latter half of the seventeenth century; but no settlements were made there until about 1778. The earliest date given by Lane for a Masonic lodge in New South Wales is 1840.

At the quarterly communication held in December the officers were elected. The Grand Master told of his visit to the Grand Lodge of Canada at Niagara Falls, where the celebration of the hundred years of peace between Great Britain and the United States of America impressed him greatly. He said:

On the afternoon and evening of the 16th, the grand peace festival was celebrated, being opened by a magnificent address delivered by Grand Master M. W. William David McPherson, K.C., M.P.P. A sight was afforded all present which will live in their memory and will have more than a passing effect upon the future of peace between the United States and Canada. On each of the sixteen columns of the arena in which the meeting was held there were placed two Canadian flags with an American flag in the centre. The hall was a riot of color and hardly a square inch of the walls could be seen for the flags of the two countries, and on the variegated bunting at the rear of the hall was a huge motto "Let there be Peace."

The Grand Master was full of enthusiasm for the Masonic home. The inmates had numbered thirty-four, and the cost of maintenance had been \$572.90 for each.

M. W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson was re-elected Grand Master. He was formally installed on the 29th of December; and the installation was followed by the Grand Feast. The two principal speakers at this feast were M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and ex-President Taft. Their addresses were so good that it would be a pleasure to copy largely from them; but the space at our disposal will not permit.

Five lectures on the Philosophy of Masonry are published with the volume of proceedings as an appendix. They are by W. Bro. Roscoe Pound, LL.D., and so good that it is to be hoped they will be published separately for the benefit of the craft.

Lodges in Massachusetts 249; members 67,938, a gain of 2,241.

Melvin M. Johnson, Boston, Grand Master.

Frederick W. Hamilton, Boston, Recording Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN.

The seventieth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Michigan was opened at Flint May 26th, 1914. William M. Perett Deputy Grand Master, and acting Grand Master was in the Grand East. Lodges represented 413; unrepresented 15. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. John Rowson, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Bro. J. R. McDonald, the Mayor of Flint, welcomed Grand Lodge to the city in a very neat speech, in the course of which, however, he deplored the loss by death of Grand Master Francis D. Clark, who was a citizen of Flint. Flint, said the Mayor, had furnished four Grand Masters to the craft.

The Grand Master of Vermont was a distinguished visitor, and a special reception was given to M. W. Bro. William T. Mitchell, the oldest Past Grand Master of the State. Bro. Mitchell was Grand Master in 1865, just fifty years ago.

Duty was the key-word of Bro. Perrett's address. He said:

The prosaic path of duty runs not always over level ground, nor is it always bordered with pleasant meadows and attractive flowers. Now over the hills and down into the valleys beneath it stretches, encumbered oftentimes with stones that hurt our feet, and perchance, in moments of unwatchfulness, cause us to stumble, if not to fall. Other paths there are in life which seem more alluring at times and more easily followed. There is the path that leads to wealth, trodden by innumerable feet, in quest of what is, in the mind of many, the greatest thing in the world. The path to fame finds many following fast after an undying place in the hearts and affections of their fellow-men. On to unrealized ambitions, winds the path that many vainly follow, hoping against hope, through a long, unhappy life.

Numberless, like the sands of the sea shore, or the stars that roll in brilliant majesty through silent realms of space, are those who walk, aye, sometimes run with eager feet, in the path that leads to gratification of passionate desires. But better far than all these paths is that toilsome path of duty, which leads us, at last, to the goal of serene satisfaction.

He paid tribute to the memory of M. W. Bro. Clark, who died during his year of office as Grand Master; to M. W. Bro. Charles E. Sweet, who was Grand Master in 1907 and 1908; and to M. W. Bro. James Bradley, Grand Master in 1897 and 1898.

Complaint having been made that representatives of other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Michigan sometimes failed to be present at the annual communications, and feeling that "those who accept appointments to represent other Grand Lodges should show interest or get out of the way," he had made a large number of changes.

Dispensations had been granted for the formation of two new lodges.

Of the Masonic home at Alma, Bro. Perrett said:

The Masons of Michigan have a right to feel justly proud of the splendid home which is maintained by the Grand Lodge. This institution is in good condition and being well managed. Every effort has been made to administer its affairs economically and to keep within the Grand Lodge appropriation. The home at Alma is practically full and the time is not far distant when the erection of another building at that institution will claim the attention of the Grand Lodge.

A new hospital for the home is necessary, and \$25,000 was appropriated for the purpose of building it.

At the preceding conference of Grand Masters a recommendation was adopted that, when a lodge was asked to bury a brother from another jurisdiction, no limit to the expense being mentioned, the officiating lodge should keep the expense within one hundred dollars. Bro. Perrett believed this to be wise, and recommended that Grand Lodge get

the matter before the subordinate lodges "in such a manner that they will understand what limitations are placed about them in matters of this kind."

The situation in Michigan is highly encouraging. The craft is united, progressive and prosperous. The home is out of debt, and the invested funds amount to more than \$100,000. Able and zealous brethren are in control; peace reigns throughout the jurisdiction; the needy are relieved; and the best traditions of Freemasonry animate the brethren.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor. It is a valuable compilation of the doings of sixty-four Grand Lodges.

Lodges in Michigan 428; members 74,964, a gain of 3,212.

William M. Perrett, Detroit, Grand Master.

Lou B. Winsor, Reed City, Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

The sixty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was opened at St. Paul January 20th, 1915. Robert E. Denfeld Grand Master. Lodges represented 233; unrepresented 24. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not. In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

We have been blessed with a fair measure of health, peace, and prosperity; good feeling and harmony have been evident in the labors of the craft; progress has been made in the character of the work, the quality of membership, and the increase in enrollment.

During the year three lodges had been constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of four new lodges.

Among the decisions of the Grand Master is the following: "Masonry does not assume to dictate in matters of conscience. A Mason may change his faith or belief." We should say that if a

Mason so far changes his belief as to abandon the fundamental principles of Masonry he ought to be deprived of his membership. For example, if he denies the existence of a Supreme Being.

Bro. Denfeld had issued an earnest and eloquent appeal to all the lodges in the state for contributions in aid of sufferers by the war in Europe. He said:

At present we have among the warring nations in Europe many thousands of Masonic brethren—Masons who are actually bearing arms. It is not only the losses in our fraternity ranks, of husbands, fathers and sons which we must face, but those who are left—their aged parents, wives and children; many, alas! already become widows and orphans—for which we must help provide. Even wider and deeper than this is the loss in the heavier bereavement, the greater penury, the more acute suffering found among the poor of each conflicting nation—those vast and needy communities, whose burdens all generous Masons always carry upon their hearts. Their breaking, bleeding bodies we must aid to heal; their hunger we must feed; and their desolate and despairing feet we must lead along the rough places into ways of peace. The existing conditions, therefore, compel us immediately to think strongly of our duty to render relief and assistance to the afflicted and distressed, for wide and wise neutral distribution among Masons and other worthy destitute people. We Masons are fellow soldiers in God's army of peace. Our constant prayer must be for peace. God is love, and the way to peace is through a life that refuses to countenance hate and bloodshed.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, who briefly reviews the proceedings of sixty-eight Grand Lodges.

A very interesting report of the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota is incorporated with the Grand Lodge report. From it we learn that nine Presidents of the United States have been Masons. They were George Washington, Andrew Jackson, James K. Polk, James Buchanan, Andrew Johnson, James A. Garfield, William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, and William Howard Taft.

Lodges in Minnesota 262, including two under dispensation; members 30,411, a gain of 1,602.

Harry M. Burnham, Jackson, Grand Master.

John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

The ninety-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi was opened at Vicksburg February 16th, 1915. Robert A. Carson Grand Master. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Harry T. Howard, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Before the formal opening of Grand Lodge there was a gathering at a theatre, when there was an address of welcome by Bro. J. J. Hayes, Mayor of Vicksburg; another from the Masons of Vicksburg; and an address by Mrs. Ellye Beaseley on behalf of the order of the Eastern Star.

After the formal opening the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was announced and was received with due honors.

M. W. Bro. Carson was much encouraged by conditions as he found them and by the prospects for the future. He said:

Extensive journeyings have enabled me to visit every portion of the state, to meet the brethren in their own lodge rooms, and I have been greatly impressed and stimulated in the prosecution of the work to which I have devoted my time by the spirit of genuine fraternity which prevails in the craft, and by the encouragement given me by the thousands whom it has been my privilege to take by the hand. Our numerical growth has been a healthy one, a higher conception of our symbolisms and teachings shows that the elevating influences that have been continuously and freely disseminated for the benefit of the craft have had a refining effect upon the minds and lives of those who are admitted among us to such an extent that one can safely say our membership is not only increasing but improving socially, morally, and intellectually. Our fraternity is yearly occupying a more elevated plane and our great endeavor should not only be to guard against retrogression, but by persistent, steadfast endeavor ennoble and dignify all that pertains to our forms, ceremonies and ritual, and, by purifying our mental, moral and physical surroundings, steadily advance towards perfection.

Announcement was made of the death of M. W. Bro. Franklin Burkitt, who was Grand Master in 1879, and who, the Grand Master said, "ruled the craft with great wisdom."

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of seven new lodges.

At the conference of Grand Masters held at St. Louis M. W. Bro. Harry T. Howard represented the Grand Master. The latter said: "The entire meeting, in all its details, was a grand success, and reflects great credit on the brethren of St. Louis."

Bro. Carson was strongly impressed with the value of fraternal visits among subordinate lodges, when the visitors might exemplify the work.

He strongly urged the work of Masonic benevolence in the war zone of Europe, especially in Belgium. He said:

There are more little lame girls, poor boys who are blind, and weary widows in Belgium today than anywhere else on earth. I ask that every Mason in the State of Mississippi contribute something for their relief. I hereby decree that at the annual installation of officers you take up a collection for this cause, forward same to your Grand Secretary, who will send same to the Masonic War Relief Association of the United States, who will see that it does the most good.

He recommended the raising of funds for the purpose of erecting a suitable monument over the grave of the late Frederic Speed.

An assessment of one dollar per capita was made upon the lodges throughout the jurisdiction for the maintenance of the Masonic home.

M. W. Bro. Harry T. Howard has been recalled to the chair of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and presents a good though brief report. Under Canada he says:

He (the foreign correspondent) lectures us for objecting to his jurisdiction wearing regalia to church, and tells us that Masonry is religious. Sure, brother, no one in Mississippi ever denied that. It's the parading and ostentation the writer objects to, and also because the brethren of a lodge are never of the same church down here. Up your way the church seems one thing, and that makes the difference.

Up our way, Bro. Howard, Masons belong to all denominations, and are sufficiently broad-minded to go to churches of different denomina-

tions. Within a few years the writer has accompanied his brethren to Divine service at the houses of five of them, and would go to a Roman Catholic church in Masonic clothing if the priest would permit it.

Lodges in Mississippi 373; members 20,073, a gain of 631.

Jesse M. Brooks, Clarksdale, Grand Master.

Frederic Gordon Speed, Vicksburg, Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI.

The ninety-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Missouri was opened at Kansas City September 29th, 1914. Van Fremont Boor Grand Master. Lodges represented 458; unrepresented 177. Twenty Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Xenophon Ryland, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Mayor of Kansas City, Bro. Henry L. Yost, welcomed the members of Grand Lodge to the city in an eloquent speech, in the course of which he said:

The drift of the age needs the interposing influence of such organizations as ours. We should not become indifferent to the welfare of our neighbor. While we travel the high road of plenty and comfort, let us not forget the lanes peopled with want and trouble. We need such societies to help us grow to moral bigness. We need them to hold the colors of Christian charity aloft to the view of all men, and to sound constantly the clarion call "to duty" in their ears. We need them to cultivate and grow the flowers of kindness in such variety and profusion that their fragrance will penetrate and sweeten every life, and bring all people together in one garden of friendship. The supreme act of a lofty soul is to forget itself for one moment and think of someone else. The hand that reaches out to steady the tottering footsteps of some weary pilgrim, journeying over life's stony highway, becomes in the act a part of heaven's machinery.

Grand Master Boor said that the first lodge organized within the limits of the present state of Missouri was chartered October 6th, 1816. The Grand Lodge was organized in 1821.

The means for the support of the Masonic home were found to be inadequate, and it would be necessary to provide larger revenues. "The present per capita tax of seventy-five cents," he said, "and the home's other income will no longer supply its needs."

The Grand Master gave a long and very interesting account of the conference of Grand Masters held at St. Louis last year. As M. W. Bro. McPherson epitomized in his address for 1914 the doings of that conference, it is not necessary to refer further to them; but Bro. Boor, speaking on one feature of it, said:

Of all the many secret societies in the world that should have an absolutely uniform ritual, a funeral service included, ours, we believe, heads the list. There was a time when uniformity was a necessity. Why not try to somewhat restore that happy though ancient condition?

It may be suggested that if uniformity of ritual is so important, those lodges in the United States which have adopted the Webb ritual (nearly all of them) should return to the beautiful and simple ritual of the mother Grand Lodge of the world. But it is not absolutely certain that uniformity of ritual is essential.

Two lodges had been consecrated during the year.

An active and highly useful Masonic employment bureau is maintained at Kansas City. During the year ended March 31st, 1914, that bureau had found employment for 333 Master Masons, their widows and orphans; and the annual pay of the persons so employed was \$198,641.

Enquiry made throughout the jurisdiction elicited the information that there were in Missouri twenty-one brethren over ninety years of age and five over ninety-five years. The oldest was nearly ninety-seven years old, and he had been a Mason seventy-one years.

On the report of a special committee the National Independent Grand Lodge of France was recognized.

The Grand Secretary reported that during the year seven lodges were consecrated, and dispensations had been granted for five new lodges.

M. W. Bro. C. C. Woods presented a well-written and comprehensive report on the doings of sister Grand Lodges. Bro. Woods objects to the practice "in some grand jurisdictions" of permitting Masons to attend Divine service clothed as Masons. He does not object to the practice in Missouri of permitting Masons to lay corner stones in public when clothed as Masons. Which is the better, laying the corner-stone or worshipping the Great Architect of the Universe?

Lodges in Missouri 636; members 61,522, a gain for the year of 3,147.

Tolman W. Cotton, Van Buren, Grand Master.

John R. Parson, 510 Pine Street, St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

MONTANA.

The forty-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana was opened at Helena September 17th, 1913. John G. Bair Grand Master. Lodges represented 77; unrepresented 3. Eleven Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

The Grand Master reported the death of M. W. Bro. George W. Monroe, who was Grand Master in 1880.

During the year six lodges were constituted and consecrated; and dispensations were issued for the formation of two new lodges.

"Throughout the year," said Bro. Bair, "there has been manifested a continuous and steady growth in membership in each and every portion of the state." The system of instruction in the esoteric work by an instructor for each lodge had been in operation for two years, and the Grand Master was satisfied with "the far-reaching and beneficent results of the plan."

An appeal to the craft throughout the jurisdiction for assistance for the sufferers by floods in Ohio brought subscriptions to the amount of \$1,670. This was truly a noble response from a body whose members numbered only 7,500.

Masonry began its work in Montana in 1863, when dispensations were issued for the formation of two lodges; but we are not told by what jurisdictions the dispensations were granted.

On recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances announced that no business had come before the committee, which gives evidence of harmony throughout the jurisdiction.

The report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by M. W. Bro. H. S. Hepner, and is a good report.

Lodges in Montana 91; members 7,500, a gain for the year of 523.

O. F. Wasmansdorff, Lewistown, Grand Master.

Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena, Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA.

The fifty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska was opened at Omaha June 9th, 1914. Alpha Morgan Grand Master. Lodges represented 240; unrepresented 15. Twenty-two Past Grand Masters were present.

A communication from the Grand Lodge of Canada inviting the Grand Lodge of Nebraska to send a representative to the Peace Festival at Niagara Falls was referred to a committee, which made the following report:

This Grand Lodge sends greeting to the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free, and Accepted Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, and acknowledges the receipt of its cordial and fraternal invitation to this Grand Lodge to attend the Grand Peace Festival to be

held at Niagara Falls on July 15th and 16th, 1914, in commemoration of one hundred years of continuous peace between Great Britain and the United States; and accepts the same, and recommends to our members their attendance as far as practicable. We further recommend that this Grand Lodge be represented by the Grand Master thereof, or by such representative as he may commission thereto, at the expense of this Grand Lodge. We fraternally reciprocate the sentiments which prompted the invitation, and heartily approve the purposes of such festival.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master referred feelingly to the loss the fraternity had sustained by the death of M. W. Bro. Samuel W. Hayes, who was Grand Master in 1883, and of M. W. Bro. Nathaniel M. Ayers, Grand Master in 1902.

He was warm in praise of the Nebraska Masonic home, and expressed a wish that each member of Grand Lodge would visit it at least once during the year.

He had constituted and consecrated two lodges and issued dispensations for the formation of seven new lodges.

During the year the Grand Secretary had supplied all the lodges with a new form of receipt for dues and also a certificate of membership. On the back of the certificate provision is made for a personal description of the member to whom it is issued.

The Grand Master had received an invitation from the Grand Lodge of Oregon to participate in the formation of a general Masonic body for the United States and Canada. He made no recommendation respecting the matter, and the committee to which it was referred reported that it was unalterably opposed to any such scheme—that the Grand Lodge of Nebraska “is a sovereign body and will never yield its sovereignty.” It ought to be apparent by this time that the Oregon movement will have no supporters in any quarter.

Among the rulings of the Grand Master were the following:

1. An objection to the advancement of a candidate made to the Master elect before his installation need not be observed.

2. The work of the lodge should be given in the English language.

3. An Entered Apprentice is not a proper party appellant in the trial of a Master Mason.

The first of these does not ring true. If an objection is made by any member it ought to be the duty of the Master to enquire into the merits of that objection. The third ruling is no doubt correct in a jurisdiction where an Entered Apprentice is not held to be an active member of the lodge.

The Grand Secretary reported that the cost of maintaining the Masonic home was \$11,410. The average number of inmates was 44, and the average cost of maintaining one inmate for one year was \$265.36.

The excellent though brief report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Charles J. Phelps.

Lodges in Nebraska 262, including seven under dispensation; members 21,122, a gain for the year of 978.

Thomas M. Davis, Beaver City, Grand Master.

Francis E. White, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

NEVADA.

The fiftieth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Nevada was opened at Reno June 9th, 1914. William M. David Grand Master. Lodges represented 21; unrepresented 3. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Frank Bell, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

A pleasing feature of the opening proceedings was the reception by the Grand Master of W. Bro. Edward D. L. Cutts, the brother who called to

order the convention of Masons who formed the Grand Lodge of Nevada in 1864. Bro. Cutts is the only living member of that convention or of any of the eight chartered lodges which composed it. The lodges then in the state had all been warranted by the Grand Lodge of California. In referring to this organization in his address the Grand Master said:

The time at which this Grand Lodge was formed was indeed a trying time. Our country had been torn asunder by a bitter, bloody civil war, wherein brother took up arms against brother—a war such as no other civilized country has ever witnessed; and we put up our most fervent prayers to the Great Architect of the Universe that its like will never be witnessed again, pledging our faith as Masons to lend our best efforts towards promoting peace among the nations of the world.

In some parts of the state where lodges were established at mining camps the mineral has been worked out, the population has largely disappeared and the membership of the lodges has dwindled away. In one case it was agreed that two lodges should join their forces and form one fairly strong lodge; but the Master of one of them found it impossible to get together a quorum of his members to ratify the agreement; only five members remained residents of the former thriving town.

Bro. David said that “study clubs” had been formed in some of the lodges. He thought such clubs, for the instruction not only of the officers but of all Master Masons inclined to attend, would have good results. He recommended the formation of such a club in each lodge in the jurisdiction.

A story of incidental Masonic relief is thus told by the Grand Master:

I have drawn warrants to the amount of \$78.75 against our charity fund, principally for the relief of a Nevada brother living in the Yukon. This brother was relieved to the extent of several hundred dollars by the brethren of that territory, who finally provided him with means to go to Los Angeles, where he is at present. The lodge to which this brother belongs is one of our smallest lodges, and with but a very small resident membership.

They have exhausted their resources in caring for this brother, and therefore the appeal came to the Grand Lodge for relief. The brethren of Alaska who contributed so liberally to this brother of ours, a sojourner in their midst, are entitled to our heartfelt thanks for the Masonic spirit evidenced by their acts. They fully deserve the title of "Mason," for they did not hesitate to put their hands in their pockets when the call came to them, but gave all that our brother's necessities required.

Bro. David had carefully studied a proposal to establish a Masonic home in Nevada, and had reached the conclusion that it is inadvisable for a small Masonic body to have a home; that it is better to give assistance in money than to congregate the needy in a common home. He said:

Speaking for myself, I will say that I have canvassed the situation in this state rather extensively, and will say that I do not believe that the time is ripe for us to give thought to a home; our cases needing a home are but few and far between—probably not more than half a dozen in the state. The question which naturally suggests itself to me is: Can we not expend the money which a home would cost to build, together with the money absolutely needed for the administration of a home, to much better advantage by applying it directly?

A committee was appointed to investigate the matter more fully and to report at the next communication of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Chaplain, the Rev. Lloyd B. Thomas, presented an interesting historical sketch of Grand Lodge from its formation fifty years ago, which is incorporated in the proceedings.

The excellent report on Fraternal Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth. In his concluding remarks Bro. Vanderlieth says:

The abuse of the dispensation is about as serious a question as any under discussion. Dispensations for Masons, God-fearing and Bible pledged, to attend divine service, with or without regalia, are a travesty on the lofty teachings of the craft, and all dispensations hurrying candidates sap its strength. Hurriedly made Masons are no credit to the fraternity. We are being told that Masonry's crying need is education, enlightenment as to the truth that lies back of ritual and symbolism, a wider knowledge of its principles, its history, its philosophy. And on top of this come

scores upon scores of dispensations to hasten the candidates through the degrees. The Mason who would be a Mason must take time for thought and study. He must ponder and reflect. Masonry is a progressive science, but its progress is step by step. It is arranged in degrees for a purpose. Strength gradually attained is more vigorous, and thoroughness is a safe earning power, one that can be relied upon. You cannot hurry it. Let us strive for greater efficiency, and make haste slowly.

Lodges in Nevada 24; members 1,939, an increase of 53.

Theodore J. Steinmetz, Reno, Grand Master.

Edward D. Vanderlieth, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick was held at St. John on the 21st of June, 1914, for the purpose of attending Divine service. The Rev. R. A. Armstrong, rector of Trinity church, grand Chaplain, conducted the service and preached the sermon.

The forty-seventh annual communication was held at Fredericton August 25th, 1914. Frederick John Gilmour Knowlton Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master was a strictly business report. It showed the craft in New Brunswick to be harmonious, prosperous and fairly progressive. During the year one new lodge had been formed under dispensation, and relations with other jurisdictions were harmonious. Bro. Knowlton had attended the communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada at Niagara Falls; and of his visit he said:

It was a distinct privilege to be able to attend, and I shall always cherish pleasant recollections of the occasion. My grateful thanks are due to M. W. Grand Master McPherson for his genial hospitality. I have no doubt that the conference will make for the general good by emphasizing with our brethren all over this continent the blessings which flow from uninterrupted peace between two great nations.

Of the war in Europe he said:

This war to our Empire is not a war of conquest, but a defence of right, and from it may we not hope shall flow the last great peace which shall endure forever. Our prayers go out to the great God of Battles that from this war in which we are now engaged, and from which we could not shrink, we shall emerge triumphant to carry again the wide world over the message of peace, to uplift humanity amongst all races and classes of mankind.

During the year an act was passed by the Provincial Legislature making the Grand Lodge a body corporate, and the act gave power to individual lodges to become corporations. The Grand Master urged the lodges to take action under this provision.

The Grand Secretary had prepared a receipt which would serve as an identification card. These receipts he would supply to subordinate lodges at a moderate price.

On the report of the committee on Foreign Relations the National Grand Lodge of France was recognized. Other claims to recognition were before the committee, but its report said:

In view of the disturbed state of international relations, and the difficulty of discussing calmly even the ordinary affairs of Masonry, your committee ask further time to report upon other matters referred to them; trusting that at our next annual meeting, under happier circumstances, we may be enabled to renew Masonic intercourse with brethren from whom we are now estranged, and to weigh more carefully the claims of the newer bodies seeking recognition.

The committee on the Grand Master's address said:

Your committee sincerely hope that the meetings held at Niagara Falls, under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, to commemorate a century of peace between the United States and the British Empire in which the M.W. the Grand Master participated, may not be entirely unproductive of results. Though many nations of the earth are under arms today, we hope that nothing may ever disturb the good relations between these two great peoples.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges in New Brunswick 40; members 3,539, an increase of 219.

Hedley V. B. Bridges, LL.D., Fredericton, Grand Master.

J. Twining Hartt, Ritchie's Building, St. John, Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The one hundred and twenty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was opened at Concord May 20th, 1914. Holman A. Drew Grand Master. Lodges represented 56; unrepresented 24. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Ira A. Chase, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada. Among the distinguished visitors were M. W. Bro. I. H. Stearns, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and M. W. Bro. Francis J. Woodman, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. Both are natives of New Hampshire.

The address of the Grand Master was for the most part a recital of his activities during the year. He said that there had been but three lodges of instruction in the state, which has seven districts. But the semi-annual communication of Grand Lodge is really a state lodge of instruction, and it is always well attended.

Bro. Drew had visited the Masonic home several times and found there much to praise and nothing to condemn. The most pressing need of the home is a hospital for the sick.

After the election and installation of the new officers a beautiful Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to Bro. Drew.

A very interesting address dealing with the history of Freemasonry in New Hampshire was delivered by M. W. Bro. Charles Horace Wiggin, Past Grand Master. From this we learn that Masonry in some form existed in the colony before 1735, but how it came there, and what it accom-

plished cannot now be ascertained. In 1735 a petition was addressed to Henry Price, Provincial Grand Master at Boston, and by him St. John's Lodge No. 1, of Portsmouth, was formed. For nearly forty years that was the only lodge in New Hampshire; but in 1789, shortly after the close of the revolutionary war, there were five, and the brethren resolved that they would form a Grand Lodge. Only two lodges were represented at the convention, and the delegates numbered five. The other lodges quickly gave in their adhesion. General John Sullivan, then president of the State of New Hampshire, was the first Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Harry M. Cheney, the Grand Secretary, presented the report on Foreign Correspondence, and, as always, had an interesting and full summary of the doings of the various grand bodies. He thinks the benevolent grants made by the Grand Lodge of Canada constitute "a splendid record for any jurisdiction." He holds that a real candidate ought to receive the degrees at a lodge of instruction. The objection to that is that sometimes it may be desirable to ask and answer questions while the work is going on, and the presence of an uninstructed candidate might be embarrassing.

Lodges in New Hampshire 80; members 10,782, a net gain for the year of 162.

Stephen S. Jewett, Laconia, Grand Master.

Harry M. Cheney, Concord, Grand Secretary.

NEW MEXICO.

The thirty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico was opened at Albuquerque October 19th, 1914. Nathan Jaffa Grand Master. Lodges represented 34; unrepresented 8. Nine Past Grand Masters were present.

Grand Master Jaffa reported that harmony prevailed among the lodges of the jurisdiction, and friendly relations with all other grand jurisdictions were maintained. Of the war in Europe he said:

As we rejoice over these peaceful conditions here, let us not forget the terrible war that is now raging in all its horrors in the old world. Let us deplore the calamity which necessitates brother lined up in vicious battle against brother. Let us drop a sympathetic tear for the sorrowing widow who had to give up her helpmate and protector, for the mother whose son gave up his life for his country, for the orphan whose parent has been sacrificed at the altar of patriotism. And we who enjoy the comforts of peace and live in a land of sunshine and plenty, let us offer a silent prayer that universal peace may soon be established throughout the world and that those of our brethren now engaged upon the battlefield may soon again clasp one another's hand in brotherly love and be permitted to return to their homes and families.

He had ruled that a brother who had failed to pass his proficiency examination in the third degree within the prescribed time could not be elected or appointed to any office in the craft lodge. Also that a man who was one-quarter Indian was proper Masonic material.

A Mason who desired to visit a lodge not his own was asked to show his receipt for dues, but declined. The Grand Master ruled that the Master of the lodge was justified in refusing to receive him. Quite right: the brother asked courtesy of the lodge, and he refused to show courtesy to the lodge. And courtesy is one of the Masonic virtues.

A dispensation was granted for the formation of one new lodge; and authority was given to issue a warrant to one lodge under dispensation.

M. W. Bro. James H. Wroth submitted an excellent and comprehensive report on Foreign Correspondence. Bro. Wroth said that he had been compelled to seek assistance in writing his report; and, as another chairman of the committee has been appointed for the present year, it is to be feared that Bro. Wroth has resigned from the corps. He will be missed, for he always had something to say, and he said it well.

Bro. Wroth still holds that, because the Grand Lodge of Scotland warranted lodges in the canal zone at Panama, therefore the Grand Lodge of New Mexico ought to recognize the Grand Lodge of

Queensland, in Australia. And he says that this correspondent "cannot get behind the fact that the Grand Lodge of Scotland did, after the location (the canal zone) became United States territory, organize lodges within that territory." Well, and what then? It had an undoubted right to do so. The "American" doctrine of territorial jurisdiction is that wherever a legitimate grand lodge exists, it has exclusive jurisdiction over the territory for which it is formed; but any state or country in which there is no grand lodge is "unoccupied territory," and any grand lodge may organize subordinate lodges there. Massachusetts organized lodges in Chili; Missouri (we think it was Missouri) organized a lodge in Mexico; Canada (to her sorrow) warranted a lodge in Jerusalem. There is no grand lodge in the canal zone at Panama, and the Grand Lodge of Scotland, or any other grand lodge, has a perfect right to establish subordinate lodges there. There is no Monroe doctrine in Masonry.

Lodges in New Mexico 43; including one under dispensation; members 3,361, a gain of 153.

Raleigh F. Hare, State College, Grand Master.

Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

In the year ending June, 1914, the Grand Lodge of New South Wales held four quarterly and three special communications.

In August, 1913, Dr. Charles U. Carruthers was duly installed Grand Master and the elected and appointed officers of Grand Lodge were invested. Reference was made to the fact that the date was the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge, and note was made of the wonderful progress of the craft in the jurisdiction during the period that had since elapsed. The Installing Master said: "In the last twenty-five years our numbers have nearly doubled, and we will soon number twenty thousand good members on the books of the lodges."

At the quarterly communication held in September the Grand Secretary reported that 916 Master Masons' certificates had been issued during the quarter.

To commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of Grand Lodge a grant of £500 was made to the Freemasons' Benevolent Institution of New South Wales.

Several dispensations were granted for the initiation of candidates under twenty-one years of age.

In the course of his remarks at the quarterly communication held on the 10th of June, 1914, the Grand Master said:

When a lodge is paying a fraternal visit to another the Worshipful Master and Wardens ought not to wear their jewels of office. This rule is in accordance with the jurisprudence of the Grand Lodge of England, and the explanation is that there ought not to be two Worshipful Masters, each wearing the square, in a lodge together. My duties are to instruct or to give the brethren the advantage of my knowledge and reading; the non-observance is not a heinous offence, it is more a lack of deferential courtesy, and might possibly, in the neglect, cause a little friction.

On recommendation of the Board of General Purposes the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was accorded fraternal recognition.

During the year relief had been granted to Masons and their relatives to the amount of £1,568.

At the installation ceremonies on the 24th of June, 1914, the Installing Master reported that in a quarter of a century Masonic relief to the amount of about \$450,000 had been given in New South Wales.

M. W. Bro. Carruthers, who had been re-elected, in the course of his remarks said:

To some men Masonry appeals by its antiquity. It is the oldest fraternal society known to man. It has been the object of attack by the ill-informed, but, although Freemasonry has never publicly defended itself, and has ever bared its brow with dignified composure to every tempest, our order is today at the very zenith of its power, and never was it more widely diffused throughout the habitable globe nor in a more healthy and prosperous condition, than now obtains.

The Grand Secretary reported 255 lodges in the jurisdiction, an increase for the year of fourteen; members 20,477, a gain of 1,749. The funds including those of the Freemasons' Orphan Society and of the Freemasons' Benevolent Institution, amounted to more than \$500,000.

The various members of the committee on Foreign Correspondence write individual reports and initial them. The work is carefully done, and a good summary is given of the doings of grand bodies throughout the world.

Dr. Charles U. Carruthers, Sydney, Grand Master.

Arthur H. Bray, Masonic Hall, Castlereagh Street, Sydney, Grand Secretary.

NEW YORK.

The one hundred and thirty-third annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New York was opened at New York May 5th, 1914. Charles Smith Grand Master. Practically all the lodges in the state were represented. R. W. Bro. George W. Millar, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, had been called to his reward a few weeks before, and Canada was not represented. Six Past Grand Masters were present.

In opening his address the Grand Master said: "Great activity has characterized all the lodges, and a delightful degree of harmony is everywhere manifested by all the brethren."

Dispensations had been granted for the formation of eleven new lodges.

"The utmost harmony," said the Grand Master, "continues with the grand lodges with whom we are in fraternal relation."

The debt resting upon the Masonic Temple in New York and upon the Masonic home property at Utica necessitated an appeal to the craft throughout the jurisdiction, and the brethren had been

asked to contribute an amount equal to \$7 per capita for the extinguishment of the debt, the payments to be spread over six years. For the year under review more than \$200,000 had been paid in.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership at the end of 1913 of 186,179, an increase for the year of 6,811. The cash receipts on account of the general fund amounted to \$228,575.

The report on the temple property in New York and the Masonic home was more encouraging. The offices and "lofts" in the temple building had been rented, and, instead of a deficit of \$65,000 in operating, as shown in the previous year, there was a surplus of \$69,000. The total value of the properties was about \$5,000,000, and the debts amount to nearly one-half that sum.

The Masters of several lodges petitioned Grand Lodge to shorten the standard work, saying that the greater part of the time of meetings was taken up with work, and the pleasure and interests of the brethren were seriously interfered with. The Custodians of the Work, however, reported that changing the work "should not be tolerated, because the work as now being taught could not be improved in any way."

On report of the committee on Jurisprudence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized. Applications for recognition from the Grand Lodge Cuscatlan of San Salvador and the Grand Lodge of Uruguay were declined. The request from Uruguay, it was reported, did "not emanate from a grand body having jurisdiction over symbolic Masonry."

The special committee on Masonic employment reported that it had found employment for 540 Masons.

The action of the Grand Lodge of Oregon looking to the formation of a national Grand Lodge had been referred to the committee on Jurisprudence, which reported strongly against it. The committee said:

We are now supreme in all things Masonic within the borders of the commonwealth of New York. Our authority here is undisputed, and the brethren direct and control their own affairs. To ally ourselves with a general grand lodge, having jurisdiction over all or a considerable portion of English speaking North America, would be simply to surrender the power and authority which is now ours, into the keeping of those who would necessarily have but little appreciation of our local conditions and needs. Such action would leave us fettered where we now are free.

The very able and comprehensive report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by a committee of which M. W. Bro. William Sherer is chairman. It requested that recognition of the Grand Lodge of Panama be laid over for further information; that the Grand Lodge of Queensland be recognized; that the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands be recognized; that the Grand Lodge Cuscatlan of San Salvador "appears to be regular," and there was no reason why it should not be recognized in the near future; that the Grand Lodge of Uruguay should not be recognized, because it was not a body having jurisdiction over symbolic Masonry; a request that four lodges in France be permitted to exchange representatives with four lodges in New York was "of course declined."

Under Canada the report says the correspondent for this jurisdiction "writes a good report, but we find one great fault with it: New York is not in it. Why?" Because, dear Brother Sherer, the New York volume of Proceedings does not get here in time for review the current year. The stony-hearted and altogether conscienceless printer says our report must be in his hands by the end of June, and we sadly leave New York over till the next year.

The statistical table prepared by the committee shows a Masonic membership throughout the world of 1,725,424, a gain for the year of 110,283. But this does not include England, Ireland, Scotland, nor any of the irregular and unrecognized bodies. It is probable that there are more than two millions of regular Freemasons in the world.

Lodges in New York 826; members 186,179, a gain for the year of 6,253.

George Freifeld, Brooklyn, Grand Master.

Edward M. L. Ehlers, Masonic Temple, New York, Grand Secretary.

1915.

The one hundred and thirty-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New York was opened at New York May 4th, 1915. George Freifeld Grand Master. Practically all the lodges in the state were represented. Seven Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Franklin Bien, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

After some eloquent introductory remarks, after feeling notice of the fraternal dead, and after note of business of interest to New York brethren only, the Grand Master approached that item of business which is of greatest present importance to the fraternity in the jurisdiction, the fund for the redemption of the debt on the Masonic temple in New York city. A few years ago the temple was finished, but finished with a staggering load of debt upon it, and the lodges throughout the state were asked to contribute funds for the repayment of that debt at the rate of seven dollars per capita, the payments to be spread over a period of six years. That would net Grand Lodge about \$1,260,000. The results of the appeal have, so far, been gratifying. Bro. Freifeld sums up receipts to the end of April, 1915, as follows:

There are at this time of writing 641 lodges out of a possible 837 who have made some payment; 73 lodges have now paid in full. There are in addition 145 lodges who voted to pay, making a total of 786 lodges actively in favor of this cause. The total sum received from all sources is \$428,305.80. The credit for this achievement belongs not to one man, but the glory of it redounds to all those who labored to effect it under the leadership of a band of forty-two noble men.

The "forty-two noble men" were the District Deputy Grand Masters of the jurisdiction. When the debt on the temple shall have been paid off Grand Lodge will have a property which will maintain its home and its other charities.

Bro. Freifeld said that in many lodges both the initiation fees and the annual dues were too low. More than a hundred lodges had annual dues of \$2 or less (a few as low as \$1); and 181 which charged only \$20 for initiation. He thought the minimum dues in country districts should be \$3 and in cities \$5; while in country districts the minimum initiation fee ought to be \$30.

Dispensations had been granted for the formation of fifteen new lodges.

During the year M. W. Bro. Freifeld issued "A Plea for Peace to Free and Accepted Masons" which is prefixed to the volume of proceedings. It is eloquently and forcefully expressed, and in the main will commend itself to all good men. But there is one statement in it which we feel ought not to be allowed to pass unchallenged. Bro. Freifeld says:

This is the twentieth century of the Christian era. The Prince of Peace was born nineteen hundred years ago. Yet we stand face to face with a cruel, savage, wicked war. The best blood of Europe is being spilled in great streams. Christian England, cultured Germany, artistic France, autocratic Russia, Moslem Turkey, turbulent Austria-Hungary, are all alike guilty, and all are at one another's throats.

There is no doubt whatever that the war now raging in Europe is "a cruel, savage, wicked war." It has been marked by acts of savagery such as the world has not known for hundreds of years—acts which actually stagger humanity. But we absolutely deny that either Christian England, artistic France or autocratic Russia has been guilty of these acts. This is not the place nor do we desire to discuss the causes of the war, immediate or remote; but, as patriotism is a Masonic virtue and a Masonic duty, we may be permitted to defend the empire to which we owe allegiance from the charge that it has been guilty of any crime against humanity in bringing on the war or in the prosecution of the war. England did not wantonly invade a weak, peaceful and unoffending country, nor make war upon it after pledging faith to protect it, nor declare that her solemn treaties were

but "scraps of paper," nor wantonly destroy historic monuments, nor batter down churches, nor line up unarmed and unoffending citizens and shoot them in cold blood, nor cut the hands from children, nor outrage women, nor bombard unfortified and undefended towns, killing women and children, nor use poisonous gases in battle, nor sink unarmed ships with hundreds of women and children aboard. Bro. Freifeld may say if he wishes where the responsibility for these acts lies, but he must not pretend that "Christian England" had any part in them or has been to any extent responsible for them.

The inmates of the Masonic home at Utica averaged 448 for the year. The cost of operation and maintenance was \$111,561; and, when interest on the value of the property was added, the annual cost of maintaining one inmate will be found to be about \$300. It is a noble charity, and is well worth the efforts of the craft in New York to support it.

The excellent and very comprehensive report on Foreign Correspondence is by a committee of which M. W. Bro. William Sherer is chairman. The committee reported against recognition of the Lodge Nationale Independent and Regular of France, mainly on the ground that "at present it is representative of but three or four lodges." Our understanding is that it is representative of only two lodges. In the introduction the report says:

The sentiment of Masonry has dwelt among all men in all climes and in all ages—its structural form, and, indeed, some of its ceremonies have reflected the changeful growth of the human race, but its influence is the same to-day, yesterday, to-morrow and for ever. This unchanging quality of Freemasonry, from the day of the very earliest learning to the present day, manifested itself among all civilized people and demonstrated its sway over the hearts and souls of men in all civilized lands.

Lodges in New York 837; members 192,463, a gain for the year of 6,284.

George Freifeld, New York, Grand Master.

E. M. L. Ehlers, Masonic Temple, New York, Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND.

The twenty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand was opened at Christchurch May 13th, 1914. Maurice Thompson Grand Master. Lodges represented 194; unrepresented 2. Two Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Lodge had lost by death one of its oldest members and its oldest Past Grand Master in the person of M. W. Bro. Alfred Henry Burton, who was in the eightieth year of his life. He had devoted more than fifty years to the study of Masonry. He was Grand Master in 1904-1905.

The cash receipts for the year were nearly \$40,000, and the expenditures a little more than \$30,000, so that there was a surplus of \$9,000 to be added to the invested funds.

The benevolence of Grand Lodge is mostly given in the shape of annuities, which range from £13 to £52 per annum. There is a special annuity fund, which amounted to £22,634. The voluntary contributions to this fund during the year amounted to £1,495 17s. 10d. For the widows' and orphans' and aged Masons' fund the voluntary contributions for the year were £1,547. So that our New Zealand brethren, who numbered 13,295, contributed to these two benevolent funds in one year more than \$15,000.

During the year four lodges were constituted and consecrated.

In 1913 a resolution had passed Grand Lodge favoring the centralization of Grand Lodge at one place, preferably Wellington. After much discussion this was rescinded, and the peripatetic system will be retained.

The largest lodge in New Zealand had a membership of 157.

Incorporated in the Proceedings are several excellent lectures delivered during the year by Grand Lecturers. It is not possible to make extracts which would do justice to these addresses.

M. W. Bro. A. H. Burton was chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. When his lamented death took place in February Bro. W. H. Munro took up the work, but, unfortunately he died in June, and no further attempt was made to complete the report.

John Joseph Dougall, Christchurch, Grand Master.

Malcolm Niccol, P. O. box 926, Christchurch, Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The one hundred and twenty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was opened at Raleigh January 19th, 1915. John T. Alderman Grand Master. Ten Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. W. W. Willson, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master reported that he had issued dispensations for the establishment of thirteen lodges.

He said: "Peace and good fellowship have characterized our relations with all the grand bodies with which we are in fraternal relation."

He had warm words of praise for the Masonic home. There were nineteen guests in the home, and means must be found for the accommodation of forty.

He thought no lodge should charge less than \$20 for initiation.

"Everywhere," he said, "there is new life in the lodges. New rooms have been occupied, old ones have been remodelled and better adapted to their purposes." In fact, he was of opinion that Masonry in the old North State was about right.

The Grand Secretary reported 434 lodges in the jurisdiction, with 23,969 members, a gain of 1,158. The revenue had been \$25,505.

The orator of Grand Lodge appears to have a good opinion of the South in general and of North Carolina in particular. He said:

Oh Lord, among the many blessings that are mine,
I thank thee to live south of Dixon's line
Where shackles are small and freedom is great,
I drink deep of thy goodness in the Old North State.
May I there toil on and there lie in rest,
In dear old Carolina, sun-kissed and God blessed.

R. W. Bro. John A. Collins submitted a good report on Foreign Correspondence. A survey of the grand jurisdictions of the world led him to think that everywhere in Masonry "the sentiments of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth are earnestly cultivated, and give inspiration for the performance of deeds that ennoble Freemasonry and humanity, and that lighten the burdens of the weary and heavy laden."

Frank B. Hobgood, Greensboro, Grand Master.

John C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary.

NORTH DAKOTA.

The twenty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota was opened at Fargo June 16th, 1914. Walter L. Williamson Grand Master. Lodges represented 99; unrepresented 4. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present; also V. W. Bro. A. B. Taylor, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

After the reception of a number of distinguished visitors, the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Walter L. Stockwell, presented the Grand Master with a gavel made from the wood of a holly tree recently growing at Wakefield, Virginia, the birth-place of George Washington.

The fact that North Dakota had just completed a quarter of a century of Masonic life called for some comment. Respecting it the Grand Master said:

As we now enter upon our second quarter of a century as a Grand Lodge, I think it is well to review briefly our development and achievement. June 12th, 1889, the first session or convention of the Grand Lodge, met at Mitchell,

So. Dak., with twenty-seven lodges on the register, and representatives of two lodges under dispensation of North Dakota, of which twenty-two were represented, and a membership of one thousand three hundred and twenty-two with one thousand five hundred and thirty dollars and twenty-six cents in the treasury. Today we have on our register one hundred and three lodges, and four lodges under dispensation, and a membership of 9,130 with \$22,516.62 in the treasury.

Bro. Williamson had received a communication from the Grand Lodge of Oregon looking to the formation of a general Grand Lodge. His personal opinion was that "a representative body of the Grand Lodges of the United States and British North America was not desirable," but he left the matter before Grand Lodge. It was referred to a committee, which reported against any proposition looking to the formation of a general Grand Lodge, and the report of the committee was adopted.

During the year one lodge was constituted and consecrated and dispensations were granted for the formation of three new lodges.

Bro. Williamson said:

Your Grand Master recalls that during his term of office the Grand Lodge of North Dakota has been requested to lay the corner stone of a Masonic temple wherein there will be dispensed the true doctrine of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

2nd. The corner stone of a church at Dunseith, which evidences the appreciation of a Christian community that Freemasonry is and should be the helpmate of the Christian church.

3rd. The laying of the corner stone of the school house at Bellfield, North Dakota, evidences that in the effort to make men wiser, better, and happier, no more important obligation is laid upon us than that children of this generation should be firmly grounded by a liberal education—this is the bulwark of a true civilization.

4th. The laying of the corner stone of the Court House in Mountrail County, indicated that as Masons we should take an active interest and be a potent force in civil government and for righteousness in our respective communities.

The Grand Secretary reported that he had sent to the lodges throughout the state uniform membership cards, which are at the same time receipts for dues and certificates of membership.

M. W. Bro. James W. Foley continues the report on Foreign Correspondence in good style, though he is quite brief. He has forgotten Canada in his make-up.

Lodges in North Dakota 107, including four under dispensation; membership 9,130, a gain for the year of 464.

Frank H. Sprague, Grafton, Grand Master.

Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The forty-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was opened at Halifax June 10th, 1914. William Medford Christie, K.C., Grand Master. All the lodges in the province were represented, including two under dispensation. Five Past Grand Masters were present; including M. W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Among the distinguished visitors were M. W. Bros. Crabb and Doull, Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

After the formal opening Grand Lodge was called from labor, and the brethren formed in procession and marched to the Anglican Cathedral, where an excellent sermon was preached by the Grand Chaplain, the Rev. William Driffield.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

The large number of officers and members of Grand Lodge, as well as of Master Masons in attendance today, shows that the members of this jurisdiction take an active interest in the business to be transacted at Grand Lodge, and are desirous of participating in the labors to be performed at, and the benefits to be derived from, this communication of Grand Lodge.

During the year the craft in Nova Scotia suffered the loss by death of two Past Grand Masters. M. W. Bro. John W. Rhuland, who had attained the age of eighty years, died in Manitoba and was buried there. He was Grand Master in 1896. M. W. Bro. Thomas Trenaman, M.D., died in April, 1914. He was Grand Master in 1901.

Of the condition of the craft the Grand Master said:

Masonry has been progressive in this jurisdiction during the past year. We commenced the year with a membership of 6528, and closed the year with a membership of 6754, an increase of 226, notwithstanding the fact that nearly one hundred of our members have died during that short period. Peace and harmony have prevailed, and the prospects for the coming year are very encouraging.

The financial affairs of the Grand Lodge, he said, were in good condition. The general fund amounted to \$14,247 and the Freemasons' Home fund to \$4,202. In addition there was a fund of benevolence, amounting to \$5,650. The brethren in Nova Scotia pay a per capita tax of fifty cents per member for the support of the home in addition to the dues of one dollar on behalf of the general fund.

M. W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray, the Grand Secretary, presented the report on Fraternal Correspondence, which reviewed the proceedings of sixty Grand Lodges, and which provides interesting and pleasant reading. Bro. Mowbray is inclined to favor a general Grand Lodge. He need not fash himself as to that: a general Grand Lodge is waiting for the Greek Kalends to arrive. At the conference of Grand Masters held at St. Louis a resolution favoring such an organization was handed in; but it was never read before the conference, and apparently was relegated to the dignified retirement of the waste-paper basket.

Bro. Mowbray also objects to the retention by this jurisdiction of "the misleading name of Grand Lodge of Canada." Possibly he will be able to suggest a name which could legally and appropriately be adopted. The brethren in this grand jurisdiction would be grateful to him for doing so.

Lodges in Nova Scotia 73; members 6,758, a gain of 233.

William Medford Christie, K.C., Windsor, Grand Master.

Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, Grand Secretary.

OHIO.

The one hundred and fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Ohio was opened at Columbus October 21st, 1914. Charles J. Pretzman Grand Master. Lodges represented 534; unrepresented 7. Twenty-two Past Grand Masters were present, making an unbroken line from 1890 to 1914, both years included. This is probably a record which the world cannot equal. M. W. Bro. F. S. Harmon, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was among the number.

Representatives of the City Council and of the local Masonic bodies delivered addresses of welcome.

The Grand Master said: "Freemasonry was never greater, more powerful or more prosperous in Ohio than at this hour."

He deplored the loss of many dead in the jurisdiction, and said: "To live in immortality on the shores of light is the promise of Masonry, and to cherish the memory of the dead is the duty of Masonry." The Grand Secretary added:

When the Grand Master, at this point in his annual address, alluded to the losses by death of brethren of our own and other grand jurisdictions, he called the brethren to a standing position to pay a proper tribute of respect to our deceased brethren, and while so standing the organist played the beautiful chimes of "Nearer, my God, to Thee," producing a most impressive effect upon the hundreds of listeners present.

Referring to the growth in membership the Grand Master said:

A year ago the Grand Master reported the banner year in Masonry, the gain being 4,173. I am proud to report 1914 as the banner year of Masonry in Ohio, the net gain in the year ending August 31st, 1914, being 5,409. The grand total of Masons in good standing on the last day of August was 96,075.

Dispensations had been granted for the formation of five new lodges, and six lodges had been constituted and consecrated.

Of the Masonic relief sent to Ohio to aid sufferers by the floods in the Ohio valley he said:

The Masons, not only of Ohio, but of foreign jurisdictions, responded nobly to our appeal for help, and a great sum of money was raised and disbursed by a committee consisting of the heads of all the Masonic bodies then residing in Ohio. The work is now practically completed and I take great pride in announcing that there was so much more generosity among our Masons than there was suffering and want among the victims of the flood that we have been able to and have returned one-third of the contributions sent to us by Masonic bodies outside of our jurisdiction.

Of his visit to the Masonic home he said: "I found everything to commend and nothing to criticize."

An act of heroism by a Mason is thus related by him:

During the last summer an explosion occurred in the trenches of one of the gas companies of Columbus, which was caused by the stupid action of one of the laborers, a foreigner, in lighting a match near the escaping gas. In this frightful explosion the clothes of the workmen in the trench caught on fire, and it was evident that they would all be burned to death. Charles Sumner Potter, a member of Magnolia Lodge, No. 20, the foreman in charge of these men, was slightly burned, but in a position of safety, when he heard the screams of these unfortunate men; and without a thought for his personal safety, and with his own clothes still burning, he rushed into the ditch and rescued three or four of the victims. Although he could have removed his burning clothing and escaped with very slight injuries, he continued in this work of rescue until his clothes were practically burned from his body; and in this condition he went to a telephone stationed some distance away to call for help. He was so weak that he could scarcely stand, and when he left the station there were pools of blood on the floor which flowed from the wounds on his hands and arms. He was carried away in an ambulance, and when asked as to his condition said that he wished none of the others were burned any worse than he was. He was taken to the hospital, where he lingered and suffered for several weeks, and died. He was buried from the Masonic Temple at Columbus.

Bro. Pretzman was unable to attend the Peace Festival at Niagara Falls last year, but was represented by M. W. Bro. William B. Melish.

M. W. Bro. Nelson Williams is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence. His report is good and comprehensive. Dealing with this jurisdiction he says:

It appears that the twenty-one District Deputy Grand Masters are nominated and elected, or in some manner confirmed by the Grand Master, and they are thereafter duly installed. This is different from our District Lecturer system, where, while the lecturers are said to be members of Grand Lodge, they are not installed into office, but are appointed by the Grand Master after his installation.

In this jurisdiction, Bro. Williams, the District Deputy Grand Masters are appointed by the Grand Master after selection by a majority of the representatives of their several districts. They are, what their title implies, the deputies of the Grand Master each in his own district, and take rank as such. They are members of Grand Lodge by reason of being Past Masters of lodges. It is the duty of each to visit all the lodges in his district and to report to the Grand Master on the condition of the craft and the efficiency of the officers of lodges.

Lodges in Ohio 546, including five under dispensation; members 96,075, a gain of 5,409.

George L. Marshall, Dayton, Grand Master.

J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Grand Secretary.

OKLAHOMA.

The seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was opened at Guthrie February 16th, 1915. William Perry Freeman Grand Master. Lodges represented 349; unrepresented 91. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Almer E. Monroney, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada. Bro. Monroney is now Most Worshipful, having been elected Grand Master at a later period in the communication.

The Grand Master reported that during the year ten lodges had been constituted, and dispensations had been granted for the formation of eight new lodges.

Ten emergent communications of Grand Lodge had been called, eight for the laying of cornerstones, and two for the dedication of buildings connected with the Masonic home. The home, Bro. Freeman said, was "in splendid condition, under the good management of the Board of Control and the superintendent."

Bro. Freeman had attended the conference of Grand Masters at St. Louis, and was much pleased. He said of it:

The conference was, indeed, a very enjoyable one, and very interesting, as interjurisdictional matters were discussed at length and many things brought out that were of great interest to Grand Masters who have to deal with them.

Among his recommendations was the following:

I recommend that this Grand Lodge provide for an emergency relief fund, to be at the disposal of the Grand Master, to meet emergent cases of relief for members of subordinate lodges who are compelled to call upon lodges outside their Grand Jurisdictions, where they may be sojourning, and for cases of great calamity.

The Grand Secretary reported that, in answer to an appeal, \$903.30 had been raised for the relief of those who have been rendered helpless and dependent by the war in Europe.

The ruling Grand Master for the time was authorized to attend any future conferences of Grand Masters and to take one brother with him.

M. W. Bro. Thomas C. Humphry continues the report on Correspondence, and presents a readable and comprehensive summary of the doings of fifty-five Grand Lodges. He says: "Canada folks are good spellers: they can spell my name correctly." Oh, that's easy; we can spell Humphry without half trying, but do not tackle Przemysl or Okmulgee without some trepidation.

Lodges in Oklahoma 448; the number of members is not stated.

Almer Ellis Monroney, Oklahoma City, Grand Master.

William M. Anderson, Oklahoma City, Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

The sixty-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Oregon was opened at Portland June 10th, 1914. S. S. Spencer Grand Master. Lodges represented 112; unrepresented 29. Twenty-three Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Donald McKay, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

Permit me to congratulate you on the showing you have made for the year, as evidenced by the report of the Grand Secretary, as compiled from the returns from constituent lodges, which shows the largest net gains in membership in the history of this grand jurisdiction. While some friction and slight irregularities have occurred, we believe the general working condition of the craft is good at this time. Much good work has been accomplished during the year, and let us trust that all have been actuated by the best motives.

He reported the death of W. Bro. Francis Xavier Matthieu, who was born at Terrebone, near Montreal, in 1818, went to Oregon in 1842, was a member of the convention which first organized a civil government in that territory, and was nearly ninety-six years old at the time of his death. He held no higher office in Masonry than that of Worshipful Master, but was made an honorary Past Grand Master for his political service and for his worth as a man.

V. W. Bro. Kenneth J. Dunstan, of Toronto, had been appointed representative of the Grand Lodge of Oregon near the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Three lodges had been constituted, and dispensations had been issued for the formation of seven new lodges.

The Grand Master had been invited to attend in person or by proxy the conference of Grand Masters at St. Louis. It is unfortunate that he entitled this subject, "General Grand Lodge." No one of the conferences of Grand Masters has been a

general grand lodge; no one has proposed that any of them should be a general grand lodge; on the contrary it has been persistently and sedulously affirmed that there could not be in the United States such a thing as a general grand lodge. Bro. Spencer says that among the matters discussed was the following:

Resolution to adopt a permanent organization, which latter resolution was not adopted. However, we are pleased to state that it was given recognition to the extent of appointing a committee to arrange the time and place for another meeting.

Such a resolution was never discussed by the convention and was not read to the convention. Some kind of a resolution was presented unread and referred to a committee; but it was not reported back. A committee was appointed to "work out and prepare a programme of topics for any conference that may be called," but that had in view only another conference of Grand Masters such as those which have been held.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the Grand Master to invite Grand Masters throughout the United States and Canada to hold their next convention in Oregon.

M. W. Bro. David P. Mason, for the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented a very good report, in which Canada is forgotten. In his general remarks Bro. Mason said:

The rapid strides in the way of increased membership, noted in former reports, holds good in this. This is truly gratifying, if indeed our new recruits have enlisted in this mighty army to do battle for the great principles of our order, viz.: truth, justice and liberty, and the trampling under foot of ignorance, superstition and blind fanaticism.

Lodges in Oregon 141; members 13,260, an increase of 943.

William C. Bristol, Wilcox Building, Portland, Grand Master.

James F. Robinson, 388 Yamhill Street, Portland, Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

A quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was held at Philadelphia March 4th, 1914. J. Henry Williams Grand Master. Routine business only was transacted.

At the quarterly communication held June 3rd, the business related to the Masonic homes of the jurisdiction.

At the quarterly meeting held September 2nd, the Grand Secretary reported that during the Masonic year then closed four lodges had been constituted, making 490 in all; and that the membership stood at 110,620, showing a gain for the year of 5,365.

At the quarterly communication held December 2nd, the finances of Grand Lodge were dealt with. As the various funds, properties and benevolences deal with amounts reaching millions of dollars, this business was of very great importance, and had very able men to deal with them. The total of all the funds and properties of Grand Lodge amounted to \$4,216,709.18. The estimate of receipts for the present year was \$307,000.

The committee on Library reported that four additional letters on Masonic subjects written by George Washington had recently been found. It was added:

There is a constant addition of Masonic manuscripts, autographs and pictures, the most important during the past year being the so-called "Golden Book of the Supreme Council of the Western Hemisphere," in which there is an autograph letter of Lafayette, thanking the Council for conferring upon him the 33rd degree of the Scottish Rite. It may not be known to you that this is the only Masonic letter of General Lafayette of which there is any knowledge.

The committee said:

It must be a surprise to many of us how little we know of the grandeur of the foundations of our fraternity, its history, its privations, its struggles, the misunderstandings, the fierce opposition and the victories of the principles that underlie our organization. What a pity it is that we

should lose interest in our blue lodge, or let our enthusiasm die down for the lack of a few hours' study every week into the mysteries and practices of our great fraternity.

The expenses on account of the Masonic homes were reported to have been \$161,410; but a large part of that was on capital account. The trustees hoped to receive about \$100,000 from a recent bequest.

The annual grand communication was held December 28th, 1914. J. Henry Williams Grand Master. Only 121 lodges were represented.

The address of the Grand Master dealt mainly with business affairs which are not of interest outside of Pennsylvania. Of the labor bureau he said:

During the year many enquiries have been made as to the means and facilities which we employ to convey information from the employer to the unemployed. I propose during the coming year to develop, if possible, a direct plan by which this need may be met, and those of our members who are unfortunately out of employment may quickly and efficiently reach work for which they are specially adapted.

In November last Bro. Williams wrote Sir Edward Letchworth as follows:

Are the Masons under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland, in need of pecuniary help? If so, I will, on behalf of the Masons in Pennsylvania, be glad to respond. Your early answer will greatly oblige.

To which he received the following reply:

I am greatly touched by your letter of the 23rd ultimo and by the truly Masonic spirit by which it is inspired. Your most kind offer will I am sure be most highly appreciated by this Grand Lodge, which will not fail to communicate with you should the necessity arise. With grateful thanks and high appreciation of your kind and generous offer, etc.

In reference to the century of peace between the two great branches of English-speaking peoples the Grand Master said:

On Christmas Eve, December 24th, 1814, in the City of Ghent was signed a treaty between the two great English speaking peoples of the world. For one hundred years peace has dwelt between them, and while at times there may have been occurrences that somewhat strained these friendly relations, they have not been broken. Having the

same language, the same literature, practically the same laws, having ideals in common, the two nations should ever go hand in hand. This Grand Lodge, the vigorous, lusty child of a worthy mother, should by reason of its never having had a disagreement with the mother Grand Lodge of England, feel a peculiar pleasure in placing on record its approval of this century of peace and fair dealing between these two nations. The members of both Grand Lodges are loyal to the government of their respective nations. They uphold the laws of their country. They stand for the uplift of mankind, the advancement of human civilization, and for honorable peace by means of friendly arbitration.

Bro. James M. Lamberton continues his excellent report on Foreign Correspondence. Last year we said that the Hon. George W. Guthrie had been congratulated by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania on his appointment as Minister Plenipotentiary to Russia. Bro. Lamberton points out that Mr. Guthrie is Ambassador to Japan. Thanks! We always like to be right; when we are not right we like to be put right.

J. Henry Williams, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Master.

John A. Perry, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Secretary.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Prince Edward Island is a small province; the Masons therein are few in number, and they have not much to say respecting themselves. But they are active and zealous; they keep alive the spirit of Masonry; and they do good Masonic work.

On the 13th of May, 1914, an emergent communication of the Grand Lodge was held, with M. W. Bro. Fullerton in the Grand East, for the purpose of attending the funeral of M. W. Bro. Hector C. McDonald, who was Grand Master in 1911. M. W. Bro. William R. Ellis, who was Grand Master in 1902, also died during the year; but, as the Grand Master did not receive notice of his death in time, Grand Lodge was not assembled to attend the funeral. Suitable tributes were paid to the memory of these two distinguished brethren.

The thirty-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge was held at Georgetown June 24th, 1914. T. F. Fullerton Grand Master. Lodges represented 13; unrepresented 2. Four Past Grand Masters were present.

Bro. Fullerton had visited officially all the lodges in the jurisdiction, and he reported the craft to be in the hands of capable and efficient men. The gain in membership was not large, but the quality of the material received was good; and, on the whole, he was glad to be able to report "an increasing progress, of which we may justly be proud."

He said: "It is a matter for universal gratitude that our great and unparalleled empire has not been called upon to take up arms, either in offence or defence." Alas! before the words were printed the empire was in the throes of the bloodiest war known to the world's history, and Canada was hurrying men to aid in the common defence of the empire and of human liberty.

There is a very brief report on Foreign Correspondence by M. W. Bro. W. P. Doull, the Grand Secretary.

Lodges in Prince Edward Island 15; members 799, an increase of 30.

George S. Inman, K.C., Charlottetown, Grand Master.

W. P. Doull, Charlottetown, Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC.

The forty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was opened at Montreal February 10th, 1915. John E. Wright Grand Master. Lodges represented 64; unrepresented 2. Eight Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. I. H. Stearns, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Naturally, inevitably, the thought of the Grand Master was stirred by the war, and his heart was for his country. He said:

Loyal as ever to its allies, loyal as always to its treaty obligations, loyal as becomes Britons to its plighted word, our empire hesitated not a single hour to risk its very existence on behalf of Right and Justice.

Hence Britain is at war!

And, as has been well said elsewhere, when Britain is at war, Canada also is at war.

Hence, too, we are taking our part in the struggle as citizens of the empire and as members of the loyal fraternity which impresses upon all its initiates the duty of never losing sight of the allegiance due to the sovereign of their native land, or of that in which they have made their home. We are proud of the youths and men, whether belonging to our lodges or not, who have come forward to uphold their country's honor and the flag of empire in this terrible war, and we are equally proud of the wives and mothers who bade them go rather than say them nay, and with their prayers we join our own, to the God of battles, that He may have their dear ones in His holy keeping, and grant victory to our empire's arms.

The brethren of Grand Lodge then rose and sang the first verse of God Save the King.

Fitting reference was made to the lamented death of M. W. Bro. John B. Tresidder, He was Grand Master in 1903 and 1904.

Bro. Wright had issued a circular soliciting subscriptions in aid of the Canadian patriotic fund, and had received \$7,900 from the 8,000 brethren in the jurisdiction.

He had granted a dispensation to form one new lodge, which had been formally instituted.

He had granted a waiver of jurisdiction to permit a native of Ireland, resident in Quebec, to be initiated in the Irish lodge of which his father had been a member.

Accompanied by the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Will H. Whyte, he had visited the Grand Lodge of Canada at Niagara Falls, and attended the peace celebration. He said: "The eminent success of this large gathering reflected great credit on those in charge of the details, and I would again express my deep appreciation of the generous hospitality we enjoyed."

A lodge at Granby persisted in working according to what its members called the York rite. It was not the York rite, since there never was a York rite; but it was a rite not authorized by the constitution of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. The officers had been warned that this irregularity could not be permitted, but they persisted in their course, when the Grand Master summoned the officers and members to meet him at their lodge room for a conference; but the Master declined to issue the summons, and failed to appear at the lodge room. Then the Grand Master had no option but to recall the warrant of the lodge and to suspend from all Masonic privileges those who had been rebellious. Some of the members were loyal, and these were exempted from the suspension. Let us hope that the loyal members will be permitted to reconstitute the lodge, leaving the rebels out. The committee on Jurisprudence approved the action of the Grand Master, and left to the incoming Grand Master the work of dealing with the suspended lodge as circumstances may require.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, and it is not only a good report in itself but is introduced by general remarks of great value. We should have pleasure in copying some of those remarks did space permit. Bro. Chambers insists that Masonry must be justified by service; that lodges should be left free (limited only by the requirements of the constitution) to select their own material; that Masonic homes are not the best media for the distribution of Masonic benevolence; that support of the empire in the present war is not only a patriotic but a Masonic duty, and that a general grand lodge is quite out of the question.

His review of Canada in the Province of Ontario is kindly, appreciative and comprehensive.

Lodges in Quebec 66; members 8,152, a gain of 333.

Edward Arthur Evans, Quebec, Grand Master.

Will H. Whyte, Montreal, Grand Secretary.

QUEENSLAND.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge of Queensland was held at Brisbane August 13th, 1913, for the purpose of installing M. W. Bro. A. M. Hertzberg, who had been re-elected Grand Master. Bro. Hertzberg paid an eloquent and feeling tribute to the memory of M. W. Bro. George S. Hutton, who was the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Queensland.

The Grand Master said: "We are now in fraternal relation with forty-seven grand lodges of the world, and there are not many more from whom we seek recognition." He hoped that soon all the grand bodies in Australasia would recognize them. The membership was steadily increasing, and during the year two new lodges had been consecrated.

At the quarterly communication held at Brisbane September 8th, 1913, the accounts for the year were submitted. They showed cash receipts for the year of about \$7,000. About \$1,500 had been expended in benevolence.

At the quarterly communication held December 8th, 1913, fraternal intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Egypt was authorized.

In giving some accounts of his visits to lodges the Grand Master said that on one trip "the thermometer on Friday and Saturday, until pretty well Sunday morning, stood uniformly at something between 100 and 106 degrees. That might be called a warm welcome.

At other quarterly and special communications the proceedings were not of importance outside of Queensland.

There are in the jurisdiction, under the Grand Lodge of Queensland, 64 lodges, with about 3,000 members.

A. M. Hertzberg, Brisbane, Grand Master.

Charles H. Harley, Brisbane, Grand Secretary.

RHODE ISLAND.

A semi-annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island was held at Providence November 17th, 1913. John F. Clark Grand Master.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized.

The rest of the business transacted was of local interest only.

The one hundred and twenty-fourth annual communication was held at Providence May 18th, 1914. John F. Clark Grand Master. All the lodges in the jurisdiction were represented. Six Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Clarence P. Bearse, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master noted the death of M. W. Bro. William Henry Crawley, who was Grand Master in 1896, and who died on the 5th of May, 1914, at the age of 67 years.

Bro. Clark spoke strongly against the practice of giving Masonic information to newspapers. This, he said, was contrary to Masonic law, and offenders ought to be disciplined.

He said: "Nearly all the lodges have made progress numerically, and fraternal peace and harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction."

The receipts on general account amounted to \$5,062 and the expenditures to \$3,889.

Lodges in Rhode Island 37; members 8,833, a gain for the year of 373.

J. Fred. Parker, Providence, Grand Master.

S. Penrose Williams, Providence, Grand Secretary.

SASKATCHEWAN.

The eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was opened at Moose Jaw June 17th, 1914. Wellington Bartley Willoughby Grand Master. Lodges represented 89; unrepresented 21. Seven Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, R. W. Bro. John M. Shaw, who is also Grand Secretary, was unavoidably absent through illness. The Grand Master reported that he had gone to British Columbia, and expressed a hope that he would soon be able to resume his duties.

Bro. Willoughby said: "It is with pleasure I can state that the order is progressing very rapidly. . . . The class of members who are joining the various lodges, I believe, bears a fair comparison with that joining in any other grand jurisdiction. The relations between this Grand Lodge and other Grand Lodges with which it holds fraternal intercourse have been harmonious."

He thought that "the fewer the Masonic rulings given the better." Only two are noted by him—1. An Installed Master from another jurisdiction affiliated with one of our lodges is eligible for the Master's chair without having served as a Warden. 2. A brother who has not been invested as a Warden simply ranks as a Master Mason, and is therefore not eligible for the position of Master.

Dispensations had been issued for the institution of eight new lodges; and sixteen lodges had been consecrated.

The committee appointed to consider the address of the Grand Master said:

We are of the opinion that the Grand Master sounded the proper note when he said: "It is not the duty of a Grand Master to be a mere lecturer on esoteric work." Men should be elected to the office of D. D. G. M. who are thoroughly conversant with this phase of our Masonic instruction so that the Grand Master on his visit to constituent lodges would feel free to devote his time to the general consideration of great Masonic questions. The

reading of papers and delivering of lectures in lodges has become a custom almost obsolete, and no greater good could be accomplished than a re-introduction of these important particulars.

On recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Relations the Grand Lodges of Egypt and the Philippine Islands were recognized. The application for recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico was deferred.

M. W. Bro. A. S. Gorrell presented a valuable and well written report on Foreign Correspondence.

We cannot refrain from congratulating our old friend and fellow worker, Bro. L. T. McDonald, on his deserved promotion to the Grand Mastership of Saskatchewan. Under his guidance Masonry in that jurisdiction will take no backward steps.

Lodges in Saskatchewan 113; members 5,952, a gain of 862.

L. T. McDonald, Regina, Grand Master.

John M. Shaw, Regina, Grand Secretary.

SCOTLAND.

At a quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland held at Edinburgh May 7th, 1914, a beautiful Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to the late Grand Master, the Marquis of Tullibardine.

Recognition was extended to the Independent and Regular National Grand Lodge of France.

Charters were granted to new lodges at Tripoli, Syria; Calcutta and Fategarh, India; Brisbane, Clayfield and Wynnum South, Queensland. A petition was also received for a charter for a lodge at Mooi River, Natal. Announcement was made that a lodge had recently been consecrated at Homs, Syria. It will be seen that Scotland is quite in the foreign trade.

At a quarterly communication held August 6th, 1914, M. W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, Past Grand Master and present Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand, was among the visitors.

Charters were granted to four new lodges, one in Scotland, one at Freetown, Sierra Leone, one at St. John's Newfoundland, and one at Panama, Republic of Panama.

Two members of Scottish lodges who had been found guilty in the United States of peddling degrees alleged to be Masonic, were expelled from the order.

The Grand Secretary read a letter received from M. W. Bro. Melvin Maynard Johnson, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, as follows:

Masonic Temple, Boston, 17th Aug., 1914.

Colonel R. King Stewart of Murdostoun, D.L., J.P.,

Most Worshipful Grand Master Mason,

Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brother: In this terrible hour, with human hands stained with human blood; with civilization on the surface seeming to revert to the days when force and not reason dominated the world, with sad proof that Masonry has not yet succeeded universally in spreading its lesson of the dependence of man upon his fellow man, of city upon its neighbor city, and of nation upon its sister nation, the Masons of this ancient jurisdiction turn their thoughts with sympathy and fraternal affection to their brethren in other lands which are concerned in the present sanguinary conflict. The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the mother Grand Lodge of Masonry in the western hemisphere, while officially avoiding partisanship in the conflict, nevertheless cannot let this hour pass without advising your Grand Lodge of its deep concern for those of your brethren and their dependents who are suffering in body or estate, and we wish to offer all the Masonic succour within our power consistent with citizenship in a neutral nation. I beg that you, as Grand Master, will cause me to be informed of any such aid or comfort to afflicted brethren or their families within our power to extend. I remain, Most Worshipful Sir and Brother, with the greatest respect and fraternal regard,

MELVIN MAYNARD JOHNSON,

Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

The friction between the Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter of Scotland has been ended. It may be remembered that last year the Grand Chapter adopted a resolution in which it was recited that in 1860 the Supreme Chapter granted power to the Grand Lodge to have the Mark degree worked under its jurisdiction. To this the Grand Lodge objected in the strongest terms, asserting that the Mark degree had been worked in craft lodges from time immemorial and before there was any Grand Chapter in existence. After much correspondence Grand Chapter declared without equivocation that it made no such claim, and that the Mark degree is not worked in craft lodges by permission of Grand Chapter. And so the troubled waters are smooth again.

A quarterly communication was held at Edinburgh February 4th, 1915.

The Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized.

Lodges were authorized to free members on active military and naval service from their annual contributions during the continuance of the war without losing their good standing.

The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan had made complaint that a resident of that province who had been rejected by his local lodge had visited Scotland, and while there had been accepted and initiated. The Provincial Grand Lodge of Fife and Kinross was directed to take action in the matter and "to pass such sentence as to them may seem fit."

An application for recognition was received "from a body styling itself the Grand Lodge of Panama." It was not recognized.

There are 833 lodges holding warrants from the Grand Lodge of Scotland: of these 450 are in Scotland and 383 in other parts of the world.

Col. R. King Stewart, Craigmillar, Grand Master.

David Reid, 96 George Street, Edinburgh, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

The opening page of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of South Australia recites, as "memorabilia" for the year 1913, the consecration of five craft lodges, one Mark lodge, and one Royal Arch Chapter; the laying of three foundation stones, and the dedication of two Masonic halls.

Three dispensations were issued for the formation of new lodges.

The fees payable to Grand Lodge were increased to £2 2s. for candidates initiated in lodges in Adelaide and to £1 11s. 6d. for initiates in all other lodges.

At the half-yearly communication held October 15th, 1913, the Grand Master, Sir Samuel J. Way, was unable to be present because of illness.

Grand Lodge decided to undertake the erection of new premises in Adelaide. One brother gave £500 toward the undertaking, and promised £500 more when the brethren had raised £4,500.

The thirtieth annual communication was held at Adelaide April 15th, 1914. Sir Samuel J. Way Grand Master.

The Grand Master said the year then closing had been the most successful in the history of South Australian Freemasonry. There were seventy-seven lodges, with 5,266 subscribing members, a gain for the year of 362. During the year nine lodges had been consecrated.

Receipts on account of general fund were £1,473; expenditures £1,247. For the benevolent fund the receipts were £651 and the expenditures £575.

Some valuable notes on the early history of Freemasonry in South Australia are given by the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Charles R. J. Glover. These will undoubtedly form the foundation for a history of Freemasonry.

The report on the Proceedings of Sister Grand Lodges is by a committee, each member initialing the work done by him. The report is brief but comprehensive.

The Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Glover, will undoubtedly pardon us for pointing out that the representative of South Australia near this Grand Lodge is M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, P.G.M. Also that the representative near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, M. W. Bro. James A. Ovas, lives at Winnipeg, Manitoba, not at Hamilton.

Sir Samuel James Way, Bart., Adelaide, Grand Master.

Charles R. J. Glover, Freemasons' Hall, Flinders Street, Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The one hundred and thirty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina was opened at Charleston December 8th, 1914. George T. Bryan Grand Master. Lodges represented 243; unrepresented 15. Seven Past Grand Masters were present: the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

Grand Master Bryan reported that "the craft in this jurisdiction is in fine condition. There has been a healthful growth in our order, both in membership and the character of material which have applied for membership into the mysteries of ancient Freemasonry."

He submitted to Grand Lodge a communication from the National Masonic Sanitarium Association, of San Antonio, Texas; but the committee to which the matter was referred recommended that the communication "be received as information." There is a general disposition to exercise caution in dealing with enterprises using the word "Masonic," but which are controlled by private persons or companies.

An appeal from the Grand Lodge of France for aid in view of suffering resulting from the war was laid aside. The Grand Lodge of France is not recognized, and aid for war sufferers will be sent through "legitimate and proper channels."

Bro. Bryan reported that \$100,000 had been raised as a fund of benevolence, or for the purpose of building and equipping a Masonic home. After much discussion, it was resolved to use the revenue from that fund for the relief of distress and not to establish a home. The committee to which the matter was referred reported that "It is the sense of this Grand Lodge that Masonic charity can best be dispensed by providing for the support of the indigent Master Mason, his widow, mother or adult daughter in their home or with friends, and for the support of the orphan child in some existing organized orphanage."

Of the misery resulting from the present war the Grand Master said:

The fratricidal war now being waged in Europe is affecting the whole world, civilized and uncivilized. Business is stagnated. Millions and millions of dollars are being sunk and lost. Thousands and hundreds of thousands of men, the flower of the manhood of these countries, are being maimed and killed. The whole world stands aghast and horrified at this carnage and harvest of death and destruction, which is being wrought by this terrible warfare. But, my brothers, think of the homes that are being made desolate and are destroyed; think of the fathers and mothers bereft of their sons; widows with broken hearts; children grieving for the loss of their fathers; how heart rending is the picture! While our hearts are filled with sympathy for these sorrowing and suffering ones in all countries, can we not, in a practical way, as men and Masons, do something toward alleviating their suffering, and assist in feeding and clothing the hungry and the destitute? As to the method to be pursued in accomplishing this, I leave it to this body to determine. Since we are taught that the bonds of our lodge are world-wide, we are also taught that our charity should be equally as extensive.

The Grand Master was "unalterably opposed" to the proposition emanating from Oregon for the establishment of a National Grand Lodge. And the committee dealing with the matter took the same view.

He had been asked by the officers of a lodge if they were at liberty to "open a lodge in the Past Master's degree for the purpose of inducting the Master-elect into office." To this he replied as follows:

The Past Masters of a chapter are not actual Past Masters, but are virtual Past Masters, and are not allowed at the formation of a Past Master's lodge, to assist in the induction of a Master-elect into the oriental chair. This ceremony can only be witnessed by actual Past Masters. In other words, those who have received the Past Master's degree in a blue lodge, when being installed regularly into the office as Masters of lodges. In order to form such a Past Master's lodge there should be present at least three actual Past Masters.

In fact, craft Masons, as such, know nothing about Capitular Masonry. Craft Masonry, in all its activities, is sufficient unto itself.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of seven new lodges; three lodges were consecrated; and five corner-stones were laid during the year.

Announcement was made of the death of M. W. Bro. Augustine Thomas Smythe, who was Grand Master in 1878.

M. W. Bro. J. L. Michie presented his fifth annual review of the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges; and the work is creditable from every point of view. Bro. Michie is still opposed to kid gloves and "claw-hammer" coats. Well, it's a free country, and the Governor of South Carolina has the right to wear such clothes as he may please.

Lodges in South Carolina 259, not including seven under dispensation; members 16,165, a gain for the year of 789.

George Twiggs Bryan, Greenville, Grand Master.

O. Frank Hart, Columbia, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

The fortieth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota was opened at Aberdeen June 9th, 1914. Owen H. Williams Grand Master. Lodges represented 99; unrepresented 43.

Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. William E. Milligan, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

On behalf of the local lodges an address of welcome was read, and it was suitably responded to by the Grand Master.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

Our fraternity exists for the purpose of teaching those deep lessons, so often brought before us in the three virtues, faith, hope and charity. We extol these virtues, but consider charity the greatest, because it is active. One may be filled with faith and hope, yet be idle; but one cannot love without serving.

During the year four lodges had been constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were granted for the formation of three new lodges.

M. W. Bro. Williams reported one of the decisions given by him as follows:

One of our subordinate lodges wrote, asking me for a dispensation to hold a regular meeting in the open air. They planned to open the lodge in the Master Mason's degree and confer the Master's degree. They also stated further, to quote from the letter, "Our hundreds of friends are looking forward with pleasure to your letter, in which you state that not only the dispensation and the privilege is granted, but that you yourself will be in attendance and take part." I could not approve of this request, so dispensation was refused. I believe that within the walls of a lodge room is the only place to hold such communications, further, I do not believe in advertising our order. While this may have been a disappointment to the lodge making the request (for no doubt they intended well) I truly believe my decision was for the good of the order.

On the subject of benevolence he said:

There are twenty-three jurisdictions in the United States that maintain a Masonic home, and the average per capita tax of twenty of these jurisdictions, for their support is sixty-six and a half cents; in addition to this, three of these jurisdictions derive a fee of five dollars from each initiation. I earnestly recommend that our Grand Lodge increase our per capita at least ten per cent. There are many within our borders that need assistance. It is not my plan to recommend a Masonic home (at least at present) but to create such a fund that the revenue derived therefrom will amply care for our needy. I sincerely hope that this matter will have earnest consideration during the session.

A candidate was accepted by a lodge, and paid part of the initiation fee, but removed from the jurisdiction before taking any degree. The Grand Master thought his money ought to be returned; but the committee on Jurisprudence thought otherwise. The lodge, it said, was ready to perform its part of the contract, and if the candidate had not received the degrees it was his own fault. The Grand Master was right. Masonry ought to be above taking advantage of situations like that. It should not take money without giving an equivalent.

M. W. Bro. Samuel A. Brown is the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and his report is good and interesting. Bro. Brown courteously points out that South Dakota did not recognize the Grand Lodge of Belgium though the Grand Master had replied to letters from that body; but, he adds, "the recognition of a Grand Orient or other organization is a more formal matter in South Dakota." Well, there is little to recognize in Belgium now except murder, pillage and the assassination of a peaceful nation. The reports are decorated with the portraits of the correspondents of most of the jurisdictions. Some have declined to have their pictures in the gallery. For these illustrations the Grand Secretary is responsible.

Lodges in South Dakota 142, including four under dispensation; members 10,730, a gain of 512.

George Philip, Fort Pierre, Grand Master.

George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary.

TASMANIA.

The half-yearly communication of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania was held at Hobart August 27th, 1914. Sir William Ellison-Macartney Grand Master. The representatives of six lodges were present.

Complaint had been made to the Board of General Purposes that some members of a private lodge were in the habit of wearing in lodge an emblem or jewel which gave offence to other brethren. The Board ruled that, while there was nothing in the book of constitution forbidding members to wear such emblems, it was the duty of the Worshipful Master to intimate that it was in bad taste for any brother to wear an emblem offensive to his brethren and thus disturb the harmony of the lodge.

The Board of Benevolence reported that seven orphans of Masons were receiving an education, the widows of eight members were receiving quarterly grants, three brethren were receiving quarterly grants, one brother (a very special case) was granted £20, and in several cases assistance had been given to distressed Masons from other jurisdictions.

The Grand Master said the affairs of Grand Lodge were in an excellent and flourishing condition.

At a special communication held October 2nd, a sum of £50 was voted to the patriotic fund.

The annual communication was held at Launceston February 26th, 1915. Sir William Ellison-Macartney Grand Master.

Recognition of the Grande Nationale of France was deferred, pending the receipt of information as to the action taken by the Grand Lodge of England in the matter.

A grant of £50 was made to the patriotic fund.

A proposition to permit the presentation of a Bible to a candidate was not favorably entertained, for the reason that "the first of the ancient charges is opposed to any rule compelling any newly-initiated

brother to accept any particular form of the Volume of the Sacred Law by which he is to be guided." At least one lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada obligates its candidates on a new copy of the Sacred Law, and presents the volume to him when he is raised. The practice was adopted for sanitary reasons; and a certificate within the book of the dates of initiation, passing and raising serves as documentary evidence of the brother's legitimacy. No brother need take the book if he has conscientious scruples. But, if any candidate has scruples against accepting a copy of the Bible, how could he consent to be obligated on it?

Sir William Ellison-Macartney was re-elected Grand Master.

There are thirty-one active lodges in Tasmania. The number of members is not stated.

Sir William Ellison-Macartney, Hobart, Grand Master.

John Hamilton, Hobart, Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE.

The one hundred and first annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee was opened at Nashville January 27th, 1915. Thomas J. Bonner Grand Master. Lodges represented 438; unrepresented 16. Eighteen Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said of Freemasonry:

She protests against the mad ambition of man who demands sacrifice of his fellow man upon the unholy altar of a crimson-stained battlefield, she protests against the establishing of national supremacy at the expense of the destruction of well adjusted and progressive governments, the tearing down of contented homes and the violation of sacred

trusts. Masonry directs men to higher attributes, and by her teachings inspires them to nobler aspirations that will actuate them to share the sorrow and to help bear the burden of every afflicted, crushed and bleeding heart.

He announced the death of Past Grand Master James W. Irwin, who was Grand Master in 1905, and was very prominent in the activities of Masonry in Tennessee.

He was severe in dealing with lodges which assist needy brethren hailing from sister jurisdictions with unnecessary liberality and then promptly bill the lodge of which the brother so relieved is a member. He intimated that it is proper and Masonic to aid the distressed, but that "we have no right to extend charity for others without their consent."

Warrants had been issued during the year for three lodges, two Masonic temples had been dedicated, and one dispensation had been granted for the formation of a new lodge.

The old and never-ending question of jurisdiction had come before the Grand Master. A profane, living in Illinois, had petitioned a lodge in that state for initiation, and had been rejected. Afterwards he removed to Tennessee, and, after living there the necessary time, petitioned a Tennessee lodge. Bro. Bonner said:

There is but one solution to this question, and that is, has he complied with and filled the requirements of the Masonic law enacted by the Grand Lodge of Tennessee? If so, he has a right to file his petition, and Cumberland Lodge has legal authority under our law to receive and act thereon.

That decision is in accord with the best Masonic usage and with common sense. Each Grand Lodge is sovereign and independent, and each has undoubted right to declare the conditions under which it will accept candidates. But its authority cannot extend beyond its own jurisdiction. Illinois may declare that its subordinate lodges shall not accept material which has been rejected in

another grand jurisdiction; but it has no power to declare what Tennessee shall do in like cases. To affirm that, is to affirm that Tennessee is not wholly independent.

The Grand Master had issued an earnest appeal for assistance in relieving distress caused by the war in Europe. In the course of it he said:

When human suffering is known and a cry for relief is heard the Masons of Tennessee have never lurked in the background or turned from the path of duty. I know that during the year you have been called upon to care for your own charitable institutions, and a number of appeals have been granted lodges in the interest of their indigent members, but we are facing extraordinary conditions such as the world has never witnessed before. Thousands of women and helpless children, along with the aged, regardless of their former condition or position in life, are stranded in a storm-swept, blood-drenched, desolate land; without assistance coming from beyond their own resources it will be impossible for them to survive the winter.

The able report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Henry A. Chambers. Writing of Masonic benevolence Bro. Chambers says:

At the close of our investigation we are impressed, as we have been before, with the fact that though retaining our ancient and beautiful forms and ceremonies our great fraternal institution has continued to grow in both numbers and good works, and has enlarged its activities in favor of charity and benevolence. Evidence of this appears in the numbers of homes for widows and orphans and aged and dependent Masons, Boards of Relief and in large funds established for Masonic benevolences and charity, and also the comparatively recent movement in favor of bureaus of employment for Masons unwilling to accept charity and anxious for means of earning their own support and livelihood for themselves and those dependent upon them. We commend this latter feature to our Tennessee brethren.

He has not an exalted opinion of the conferences of Grand Masters, and fears apparently that they may lead to the formation of a national grand lodge.

Lodges in Tennessee 457; members 28,081, a gain of 1,684.

T. A. Hisey, Morristown, Grand Master.

John B. Garrett, Nashville, Grand Secretary.

TEXAS.

The sixty-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas was opened at Waco December 1st, 1914. A. W. Houston Grand Master. Lodges represented 539; unrepresented 339. Eighteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Elmer Renfrew, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

While Bro. Houston left to the Grand Secretary the duty of reporting upon the condition and growth of the craft within the jurisdiction, he said that "with the grand jurisdictions everywhere our relations have been of the most cordial and fraternal character."

He noted the death of M. W. Bro. James Harvey McLeary, who was Grand Master in 1880.

During the year nineteen lodges had been constituted and consecrated and dispensations had been granted for the formation of six new lodges.

He explained that, in Texas, "no dispensation can be granted to our subordinate lodges to confer degrees by courtesy, neither can they accept such courtesy from lodges of other jurisdictions."

His decisions numbered no less than two hundred and five, and the report fills thirty-two pages of his address. In addition there were one hundred and nine rulings as to physical disqualification. As to the latter he recommended a change in the law so that the Masters of lodges might pass upon physical defects without referring the question to the Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary reported that during the year there had been 5,511 initiations, and that the net increase in membership had been 3,115.

The Masonic home is the pride of every Texas Mason. The report of the officials of the home showed that the average enrollment of children during the year had been 205, and the average cost of maintenance had been \$252.88. Including repairs to the buildings, the total cost of the home had been \$51,840.74.

Upon report and recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence the Grand Master was given power to grant dispensations permitting the conferring by courtesy, in Texas lodges, of degrees upon members of lodges in other jurisdictions, and also to ask for like courtesies in other jurisdictions.

The Grand Master called the attention of Grand Lodge to the fact that a private corporation had established what was called a Masonic National Sanitarium. The committee to which the matter was referred protested strongly against the use of the word Masonic in the title or literature of any private corporation or firm whatsoever. On the recommendation of the committee it was declared that such use of the word would be a violation of the Masonic law of the jurisdiction and subject the users to Masonic penalties. The committee added:

The use of the word "Masonic" in the corporate name and advertising matter of said institution was and is wholly gratuitous and unwarranted and in gross violation of the edicts of the Grand Lodge of Texas, an invasion of its rights and derogatory to its dignity and sovereignty.

During the year Grand Master Houston issued a circular letter to the lodges throughout the jurisdiction setting forth some of the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, a part of which we copy:

Masonry stands for good citizenship, the promotion of patriotism and the uplift of character through the influence which the brethren can exercise upon each other and their uninitiated neighbors. One who does not exercise a beneficial influence upon those with whom he associates is not a good Mason.

Masonry teaches the due observance and obedience to the law of the land. No lawbreaker is a good Mason.

Masonry teaches the peaceful settlement of all controversies, national, state and individual, so that force and violence shall never become the arbiter between men. No violent, fighting, contentious man is a good Mason.

Peace and good will to all men is a Divine command. Masons should be its advocates.

Honesty and fair dealing, virtue and truth, are the corner-stones of the Masonic temple. No dishonest or untruthful man can be a good Mason.

By condemning evil and promoting virtue you become exemplars of Masonry and its principles. No licentious libertine has any place in Masonry.

Do not take off your Masonry with your regalia and leave it in the darkened lodge room, but take it home with you and practice it at your fireside, so that your wife and children may feel its practical value. One who is not a good husband and father is not a good Mason.

Charity does not mean the giving of alms only; but in its broader sense it means that the Mason will take the erring and weaker, the less fortunate brother by the hand, and lead him over the rough and rugged road of trial and misfortune to a higher plane of peace and happiness. One who is devoid of charity is not a good Mason.

Let not the foul breath of slander cross your lips to injure the character of your brother or your neighbor. He who defames the good name of his neighbor is not a good Mason.

The Grand Secretary was authorized to prepare a uniform lodge receipt for dues which will be a certificate of membership. Lodges may use these "should they so desire."

M. W. Bro. George W. Tyler presented an excellent report on Foreign Correspondence. As the report of the preceding year was cut short there are double reports in no less than twenty-seven instances. All of the work is well done, and the report gives a full exhibit of Masonry throughout the world.

Lodges in Texas 881, including five under dispensation; members 63,394, a gain of 3,115.

Jewel P. Lightfoot, Austin, Grand Master.

W. B. Pearson, Waco, Grand Secretary.

UTAH.

The forty-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Utah was opened at Ogden January 19th, 1915. James William Cherry Grand Master. All the lodges in the state, nineteen in number, were represented. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Alexander Topence, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In opening his address the Grand Master said: "We meet under most auspicious circumstances. The craft is in a flourishing and prosperous condition; the individual lodges are pursuing their work with regularity and zeal; the brethren generally are true and faithful to Masonic standards."

He deplored the death of M. W. Bro. Charles Bruerton Jack, which took place on the 4th of June, 1914. Bro. Jack was Grand Master in 1910, and was subsequently chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence. The Grand Master said: "He was one of the ablest and most valuable exponents of Masonry in Utah."

The Grand Master had received appeals for assistance to sufferers in Belgium, and said that "no mistake could be made by giving freely to their relief." The committee on Charity recommended an appropriation of \$300 for the purpose.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of two lodges, and two others were instituted.

Bro. Cherry had visited all the lodges in the state.

He recommended "That the Grand Master shall annually appoint a committee on Masonic education and instruction, to consist of three members of the Grand Lodge, learned in Masonic history, law and philosophy. It shall be the duty of the committee to collect, prepare and furnish to the constituent lodges of this jurisdiction such texts, discourses and lectures upon Masonic subjects, as it may deem appropriate and useful for Masonic instruction, education and entertainment, and to direct the time and manner in which the same shall be used by the lodges." This was favorably reported by a committee and approved by Grand Lodge.

The committee on Charity reported against building a Masonic home, but recommended the creation of a charity fund to provide for cases in which constituent lodges are unable to provide for their destitute members.

The request of the Independent Grand Lodge of France for recognition was denied.

A beautiful jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Master, Bro. James W. Cherry.

M. W. Bro. S. H. Goodwin presented the report of the committee on Correspondence. It is his first report, and gives evidence of careful and conscientious work. He gives promise of being a valuable member of the corps. He is a little out of patience with writers who are continually protesting against invasions of the rights of constituent lodges by grand lodges; and points out that grand lodges are made up of representatives of the constituent lodges.

Lodges in Utah 19, including two under dispensation; members 2,355, a gain of 154.

William J. Shealy, Salt Lake City, Grand Master.

Freeman A. McCarty, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary.

VERMONT.

The one hundred and twenty-first annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Vermont was opened at Burlington June 10th, 1914. Eugene S. Weston Grand Master. Lodges represented 87; unrepresented 16. Nine Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. George B. Wheeler, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Grand Master Weston reported that peace and harmony prevailed in almost all the lodges, and that prosperity had attended them throughout the year, though the net gain in membership had been small.

He had declined to give permission to a member of a lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of France to visit a lodge in Vermont, because the Grand Lodge of Vermont had never recognized the Grand Lodge of France. Grand Lodge, on the report of the committee on Jurisprudence, approved the decision.

Beyond mere explanations of the constitutional law, he had given three decisions, as follow:

1. The appointment of a secret investigating committee on the application for the degrees, or for affiliation, is not allowable.

2. Requests for waiver of jurisdiction from foreign jurisdictions cannot emanate from Vermont.

3. A lodge cannot receive the application of one of Mongolian blood.

The committee on Jurisprudence sustained the first of these decisions, as the reports of committees must be in writing and become permanent records of the lodge. As to the second the committee reported that the Grand Master had correctly interpreted the constitution as it was; but it recommended a change in the law to the effect that the petition of one living outside the jurisdiction might be received, and the candidate might be accepted with the consent of the foreign lodge within whose jurisdiction he resided and the approval of the Grand Master of the foreign Grand Lodge.

The third ruling was disapproved. The committee said:

Each individual petitioner is entitled to, and should receive, full and impartial consideration upon the merits of his own particular case, and the fact that he belongs to a certain class or race of people cannot, of itself, render him ineligible. The question is whether the **petitioner himself** is a proper candidate for Masonry. The people of his color or blood may, by reason of certain racial beliefs and characteristics, be generally ineligible, but the particular member of the family may have entirely repudiated all the objectionable influences and doctrines of his race. The question of his acceptance thus becomes one for the lodge to decide after a fair and impartial consideration of the merits of the individual petitioner.

The report of the committee was adopted.

M. W. Bro. Marsh O. Perkins continues the report on Foreign Correspondence with ability, judgment and kindness. He reviews the proceedings of sixty-two jurisdictions, and makes his report highly interesting. We cannot help thinking

that he is unnecessarily alarmed about the conventions of Grand Masters, fearing that they may result in the formation of a national Grand Lodge, or something calculated to impair the independence of the existing Grand Lodges. There is little indication that anything of the sort would ever be tolerated. The Oregon proposal has been rejected with absolute unanimity. He also appears to give undue prominence to the scheme of a dimitted Mason who proposes to establish a Masonic republic or kingdom in Africa. Dr. Buckley is unanimous in thinking that he will establish such a state, and the Masons of the world are unanimous in thinking that he will not.

Lodges in Vermont 103; members 13,847, an increase of 264.

Charles H. Darling, Burlington, Grand Master.

Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

VICTORIA.

A quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Victoria was held at Melbourne March 18th, 1914, with the Grand Master, the Rev. A. T. Holden, on the throne.

The accounts for the year were submitted and showed the finances of Grand Lodge to be in an excellent position. The Grand Treasurer announced that the balances at the credit of the general fund and the benevolent fund amounted to £40,819, or about \$200,000.

The Grand Master, the Rev. A. T. Holden, was nominated for re-election, and the Deputy Grand Master, the Hon. Charles Carty-Salmon, was also put in nomination. As Bro. Holden thought it derogatory to the dignity of the office of Grand Master that it should be reduced to a common contest, he withdrew his name, and Bro. Carty-Salmon was elected without opposition.

The Grand Secretary announced that the membership at the close of 1913 was 14,193, a gain for the year of 854. There were 213 lodges, and the average membership was 67. Only five lodges had a membership exceeding 150. Five lodges had been consecrated during the year.

A special communication was held at Melbourne April 28th, 1914, when the new Grand Master was formally installed. In his retiring address, Bro. Holden gave a brief but very interesting sketch of the history of Masonry in Victoria. The first lodge was instituted under the English constitution in 1840. The first under the Scotch constitution was warranted in 1843, a lodge under the Irish constitution was formed in 1843 but not warranted till four years later. A grand lodge was formed in 1883, but it had not the support of a majority of the lodges. In 1888, however, under the guidance of the Earl of Carnarvon, substantially all the lodges in the province came together and consolidated the present body.

A beautifully printed souvenir report of the proceedings at this Semi-Jubilee communication is illustrated with a view of the temple in Melbourne and portraits of all the Grand Masters of the jurisdiction since the formation of the Grand Lodge.

At the quarterly communication held September 16th, 1914, a grant of £250 was made to the patriotic fund.

The Board of General Purposes announced that two lodges had been consecrated and two temples had been dedicated with Masonic ceremonies.

The balances at the credit of the principal funds were reported to amount to nearly £43,000.

The Hon. Charles Carty-Salmon, Melbourne, Grand Master.

C. J. Barrow, Melbourne, Grand Secretary.

VIRGINIA.

The one hundred and thirty-sixth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia was opened at Richmond February 10th, 1914. William L. Andrews Grand Master. Eight Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

Speaking of the condition of the craft in Virginia, the Grand Master said:

Peace is throughout our borders, and harmony dwells in our many lodges. The returns to your treasurer show a healthful, normal increase, and I am pleased to think that the west gate is being strictly guarded; that the prevailing wish is not "more members," but better materials for our mystic temple, and though we sometimes see and must expect the human in our ranks, yet are we moving toward that high destiny for which our institution exists.

He announced the death of M. W. Bro. Reuben Murrell Page, who was Grand Master in 1882.

He had been asked if a Master of a lodge had power after a ballot had been taken, to postpone announcement of the result; and he replied that "until the ballot is declared from the east it is in the Master's hands, to be dealt with by him as his wisdom and prudence may dictate; but it must be disposed of at the stated meeting to which it was deferred." The committee on the address of the Grand Master, however, reported that "a ballot once declared closed at the altar must be concluded at that communication." This report was adopted.

Bro. Andrews had refused to permit a lodge to circularize the craft for the purpose of raising money to pay a debt on its property.

He also "declined permission for a lodge to confer the degrees on a candidate who, after filing his petition, lost the small finger of his right hand and the finger next to it." He explained this ruling by saying: "To have granted this would have set aside Landmark 18, and I feel that such acts strike at one of the fundamental requirements of our institution." The Grand Lodge of Virginia is a sovereign and independent Masonic body, and it

has a right to make such laws as it may please; but we decidedly dissent from the statement that permission to initiate this candidate would upset any landmark whatever, or strike at any fundamental requirement of our institution. The constitution of 1723 provided that a candidate must be "a perfect youth, having no maim or defect that may render him incapable of learning the art of serving his master's lord." The constitution of the Grand Lodge of England provides that a candidate must be able to comply literally with all the requirements of the ceremonies; and the loss of the two fingers would not render the candidate incapable of so complying.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of two new lodges; and these, as well as one holding over under dispensation, were granted warrants.

"For the first time in many years," said the Grand Master, "our Grand Lodge is out of debt, and has sufficient funds, by practice of due economy, to pay its way for the current year." The debt was on account of the Masonic temple, and that has now been paid off.

A highly interesting and pleasing feature of the communication is thus described:

The Most Worshipful Grand Master requested all Confederate and Union veterans to assemble at the altar, and some twenty-five responded. Worshipful J. A. Whitman, of Wytheville Fraternal Lodge, No. 82, formally presented to them the charter and records of Stonewall Lodge, No. 201, which was a travelling army lodge in the Stonewall brigade, and which were written on Confederate paper. They were only discovered a few weeks ago. Worshipful J. V. Bidgood, of Richmond Lodge, No. 10, received them on behalf of the veterans, and in doing so stated that he himself was made a Mason in an army lodge and actually under fire. Right Worshipful J. B. Blanks then presented them to the Grand Lodge for preservation. The veterans were then called to the Grand Secretary's desk to have their names, commands, and present lodge affiliations recorded. It was then discovered that only one of the number was a Union soldier. Past Grand Master Joseph W. Eggleston seized him by the arm and led him to the front and said: "Brethren, when assembled just now we captured a Yankee prisoner, and here he is, Brother Alexander Carpenter, of Day Lodge, No. 58. He tells me that he was the first white child born in his township in the then wilds of Wis-

consin among the Indians. He came down here and fought us, but was so good looking we did not kill him, and only tonight have we succeeded in capturing him." Brother Carpenter responded: "I have been wondering for twelve years why these Virginians were so kind and sweet to me, and I have at last concluded that it is because they are afraid of me yet." This elicited a storm of applause.

M. W. Bro. Joseph W. Eggleston continues the report on Foreign Correspondence with his usual ability, thoroughness and fairness. It is a pleasure to read his reports.

Lodges in Virginia 325; members 24,087, an increase of 770.

P. K. Bauman, Lloyds, Grand Master.

Chas. A. Nesbitt, Richmond, Grand Secretary.

1915.

The one hundred and thirty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia was opened at Richmond February 9th, 1915. Owing to illness the Grand Master was unable to be present, and the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. James B. Wood, presided. A resolution of sympathy with the Grand Master was unanimously adopted, and a box of roses was sent him.

The Grand Master's address was read by M. W. Bro. Joseph W. Eggleston. In reviewing the existing situation, M. W. Bro. P. K. Bauman, the Grand Master said:

Our numbers are greater than ever before, our financial condition is the best we have ever known, and I would fain persuade myself that our Masonry is today on a higher plane in all particulars. So far as I can see, the Golden Rule seems to actuate the craft in all their dealings with one another and with the world. Our Masons are more studious of Masonic literature and history. A thorough knowledge of our ritual is more widespread than it has been, certainly for many years. Cases for discipline are now rare. I have to report to you no single instance of invasion of jurisdiction or interference by one lodge with the rights of another, and, best of all, our brethren individually seem to know and obey the law. These conditions have come about gradually, and are due, in large measure, to the perfection of the organization of our system. Our District Deputy Grand Masters are good Masonic lawyers, and faithful helpers of the Grand Master. Our relations with foreign jurisdictions continue to be, in the highest degree, fraternal and cordial. Peace and harmony prevail. Our skies are bright.

He deplored the loss by death of two Past Grand Masters: M. W. Bro. Alfred Ranson Courtney, and M. W. Bro. William Henry Pleasants.

Bro. Bauman had been very active in visiting throughout the jurisdiction, and his visits were evidently made very pleasant to him, for he had this to say of his brethren:

Proverbially, for more than three hundred years, the people of this, the oldest English settlement in North America, have been noted for their honest large-heartedness, boundless hospitality, and inherent worth. Chosen from among this people for their exceptional worth alone, are the Masons of Virginia; they are the cream of the cream of the human race, and no man can know this so well as a Grand Master who visits among them as their guest of honor.

He also visited Canada on the occasion of the peace festival at Niagara Falls, where he "enjoyed three days of hospitality."

On behalf of the Grand Lodge he had sent a hundred barrels of flour to help to feed the starving women and children of Belgium.

On the subject of benevolence he said:

Rather than establish a home for aged Masons and widows, I favor individual relief from a grand lodge charity fund. It is a more economical plan, and more kindly in that it leaves the beneficiary more independent and among his own people. Institutional life cannot be happy life.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Joseph W. Eggleston. It is Bro. Eggleston's eighteenth report, and is a good one.

The representative of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island near the Grand Lodge of Alabama having failed for three years to appear at Grand Lodge, the Grand Master of Rhode Island was requested to withdraw the commission of the brother so failing in his duty. In view of that action Bro. Eggleston said:

The mistake, we think, is two-fold. (1st) While the Grand Master recommends a suitable brother, Rhode Island commissions him as *their* representative. It therfeore lies with Rhode Island to say whether or not they are dissatisfied with his attendance. (2nd) These brethren, proud of representing some Grand Lodge, grow more and more so

as the years go by. At last, in their declining years, little is left of their Masonic activity except the satisfaction of having held this purely honorary appointment for many years, and to snatch it from them because they are physically, or, perhaps, financially, unable to be at roll-call, is an unintentional unkindness. We would rejoice to see Alabama repeal the law.

Technically Bro. Eggleston is right. But the brother who receives the honor should not forget that a duty is attached to the honor, and if he is not prepared to perform the duty he should resign the honor.

Of the Grand Master's jewel referred to in this report last year, and which was ordered to be suitably engraved, Bro. Eggleston says that it was originally made for George Washington, who was to have been the first Grand Master of Virginia, and that it has been worn by each Grand Master from that time to this.

Lodges in Virginia 324; members 24,866, a gain for the year of 1,549.

James B. Wood, Charlottesville, Grand Master.

Charles A. Nesbitt, Richmond, Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

The fifty-seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Washington was opened at Tacoma June 9th, 1914. Asa H. Hankerson Grand Master. Lodges represented 187; unrepresented 7. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Yancey C. Blalock, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

An address of welcome from the craft in Tacoma was delivered by W. Bro. Guy E. Kelly, and suitably acknowledged by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master announced the death of M. W. Bro. William Henry White, who was Grand Master in 1884-1885.

Bro. Hankerson spoke warmly in praise of the work done for the Masonic home. But he pointed out that larger contributions for its support were needed. One jurisdiction, he said, pays \$1.50 per capita for the support of its home, another \$1.25, and still another \$1.00 per capita and \$5.00 for each initiation fee. He added: "I believe that, in the not distant future, we will have to increase our per capita tax for this purpose."

During the year six lodges had been constituted, and dispensations were issued for the formation of six new lodges.

Among the recommendations made by the Grand Master were two worthy of general note: 1. That the law be amended so as to prevent the Entered Apprentice degree being conferred by courtesy for or by any lodge in the jurisdiction. 2. That that portion of the installation ceremony generally known as the secrets of the chair be entirely dispensed with or given only in such form as shall be promulgated by the custodians of the work.

Both recommendations were reported against by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the report was sustained by Grand Lodge. Respecting the second the committee recommended that "no change be made in our present law. In the opinion of your committee this Grand Lodge, being composed to a certain extent of wardens of lodges, has no authority to change the ancient ceremonies of installation known as the secrets of the chair."

One brother held that the Past Master's degree "forms no part of ancient craft Masonry, but is an ingraft made upon the ceremonials of our fraternity by ambitious degree mongers." It is probable that the brother was wrong. The Constitution of 1721, in declaring the manner in which the Master of a newly-constituted lodge should be installed, provided that, "upon this the Deputy shall rehearse the charges of a Master, and the Grand Master shall ask the candidate saying, 'Do you submit to these charges, as Masters have done in all ages?' And the candidate signifying

his cordial submission thereto, the Grand Master shall, by certain significant ceremonies and ancient usages, install him and present him with the constitutions, the lodge book and the instruments of his office, not all together but one after another; and after each of them the Grand Master or his Deputy shall rehearse the short and pithy charge that is suitable to the thing presented." Now this does not prove that the installation ceremony of 1721 was identical with that in use at the present time, but it harmonizes with the present practice, and leaves it probable that the secrets of the Master's chair were then communicated to the Master elect.

On the recommendation of the committee on Foreign Correspondence the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized and an exchange of representatives authorized.

The brethren of British Columbia were invited to unite with the Masons of Washington in celebrating the centennial of peace between the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon race.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Ralph C. McAllaster, and it is a good one. Bro. McAllaster courteously corrects an error in our report for 1913. At that time we forgot that in the United States there is no difference between the apron of an Entered Apprentice and of a Master Mason, except in the manner of wearing it.

Lodges in Washington 194, including eight under dispensation; members 19,542, a gain for the year of 1,135.

William J. Sutton, Cheney, Grand Master.

Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma, Grand Secretary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

The last volume of Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia covers quarterly and annual communications from April, 1913 to April, 1914.

At the quarterly communication held at Boulder on the 24th of July, 1913, the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. C. O. L. Riley, Lord Bishop of Perth, was absent because of illness, and the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. J. S. Battye, presided. In the course of his address Bro. Battye said:

Hoary with an antiquity that precludes all thought of civil freedom and expansion, our order has led the cause of freedom in many lands, and I trust, brethren, that we in these latter days have not deteriorated from our high ideals. Broad as the universe itself are the principles and tenets of the craft. Within its portals all distinctions save those of goodness and virtue disappear. Prince and peasant alike take their stand upon the unchanging level. We meet as brothers, and whatever our stations in life, no matter what the earthly distinctions to which we may have attained, our hearts are charged with love towards one another and charity to all men, so that with hand and heart we may do what in us lies for the assistance of the poor and needy. Is not this, brethren, the highest ideal of citizenship? From century to century the light of Divine mercy has been our beacon. We have followed it as our only law, knowing that it far transcends the mercy of man, for "the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind." We may never attain the realization of our high standard, but as we press on towards the heights, secure in the promises of Divine law, we will approach nearer and yet nearer "to that eternal grand lodge from which all goodness emanates."

The Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. J. D. Stevenson, was also absent through illness. The Grand Master had given him leave of absence for six months.

At the quarterly communication held in September both of the distinguished brethren were present.

At the quarterly communication held in January fraternal recognition was extended to the National Grand Lodge of Egypt.

In reference to the "Independent and Regular National Grand Lodge of France," the Grand Master said he had little doubt that they would all unite in welcoming this new body. In view of statements recently made it may be as well to wait for further information before recognizing that body.

The Right Rev. C. O. L. Riley, Lord Bishop of Perth, was re-elected Grand Master for the tenth time.

At the annual communication, held in April, 1914, the Grand Master announced that he had consecrated one lodge during the year.

The finances of Grand Lodge, he said, were in good shape. The assets over liabilities amounted to £31,330. There were 95 lodges on the register, with a membership of 4,042.

The excellent and comprehensive report on Foreign Correspondence was submitted by the chairman, R. W. Bro. J. D. Stevenson. The report is divided, each writer of a separate report initialing his work. Apparently Bro. Stevenson is the writer of the report on Canada. He says:

Canada avails itself of the Scottish proxy system, for we learn that there were 737 brethren present with a voting power of 1,328. The proxy has never taken root in Australia and we are doubtful if it ever will.

In this jurisdiction, Bro. Stevenson, each lodge is entitled to three votes. If the Master and both Wardens are present, each has one vote. If only one is present he may cast the three votes of the lodge. Each Past Master is entitled to one vote. A proxy is permitted only in case the Master and both Wardens are absent. Referring to M. W. Bro. Aubrey White's remarks on the condition of the craft in this jurisdiction, Bro. Stevenson said:

We would like to emphasize our concurrence in the Grand Master's remarks that large initiation fees do not necessarily afford any guarantee of good character, indeed it often happens that the man with the most money has the fewest qualifications for admission. Plenitude of riches and poverty of character often go hand in hand.

True. At the same time it should not be forgotten that when lodges get to be too big the fraternal spirit of the brethren is lessened. A number of lodges in this jurisdiction have more than 400 members, a few more than 500 members each. The high fees are imposed for the purpose of keeping the membership down.

The address of the Grand Secretary is J. D. Stevenson, Freemasons' Hall, Perth, Western Australia.

WISCONSIN.

The seventieth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was opened at Milwaukee June 9th, 1914. George B. Wheeler Grand Master. Practically all the lodges in the state were represented. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Hiram W. Sawyer, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

It was but natural that the Grand Master, in his address, should recall the time, seventy years earlier, when the Grand Lodge was formed. There were, he said, but seven Masons present, and they represented three small lodges, having a total membership of seventy-nine. From that small beginning the fraternity had increased by steady and satisfactory growth till, at the end of 1913 there were 273 lodges, with 29,242 members. Bro. Wheeler added:

The real reason for the marvellous success and vitality of Freemasonry is the fact that it has pursued the even tenor of its way, refusing to turn to the right or left out of the beaten path our fathers trod. And today in the presence of this distinguished gathering, representing the flower of Wisconsin Masonry, I know I voice the universal sentiment when I declare that there must be no innovations in the body of Masonry.

He said that the benevolent work of the jurisdiction had been done more intelligently, more systematically and more generously than ever before. Every worthy call for assistance, he said, had been met and satisfied.

During the year five dispensations had been granted for the formation of new lodges.

Bro. Wheeler had received an invitation to attend a conference of Grand Masters at St. Louis, but had not accepted, as he "questioned whether the conference would be productive of any permanent good to the jurisdictions represented," although he was sure it would be a most interesting and delightful social occasion.

The Grand Master was asked if an Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft had a right to visit a lodge in Wisconsin other than his own. To this he replied:

Yes, subject to the laws and regulations of this Grand Lodge. The right of visitation is one of the landmarks of the craft, and applies as well to Entered Apprentices and Fellowcraft as to Master Masons, limited only by the advancement they have made in Masonry.

The committee on Jurisprudence qualified the decision to read as follows:

The right, however, of visitation is not to be misunderstood. An Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft has a right to be present in his own lodge when opened in the degree to which he has attained, and may be admitted into any other lodge when opened in such degree by the courtesy of the presiding officer, if no member of the lodge present objects.

That is good Masonic law, and is according to the best Masonic custom. There is no "right of visitation." The Master of a lodge has a right to decide who may and who may not visit his lodge.

So much doggerel, miscalled poetry, is used in obituary notices that we gladly copy from the Grand Master's tribute to the memory of departed brethren the following lines, which are true poetry, and which expresses Masonic feeling respecting those who have gone:

Farewell! A little time and we
Who knew them well, and loved them here,
One after one, shall follow them,
As pilgrims through the gate of fear,
Which opens on eternity.
Yet shall we cherish not the less
All that is left our hearts meanwhile;
The memory of their faithfulness
Shall round our weary pathway smile,
Like twilight when the sun has set,—
A sweet and tender radiance yet.

M. W. Bro. Aldro Jenks continues the report on Foreign Correspondence. It is his seventeenth report, and is in his best style of completeness and literary finish. Of Masonic homes he says:

It is very apparent that the existence of a Masonic home in any grand jurisdiction entails a considerable increase in the per capita rate of taxation, but as most good things cost money, the question as to the advisability of indulging in a Masonic home is far from being solved by this generalization. Most Grand Lodges indulging in this form of affording relief to the unfortunate objects of Masonic bounty seem satisfied with the system. We can, however, note in several grand jurisdictions a feeling that the craft at large do not respond to appeals for the support of a Masonic home with that freedom and liberality that should make giving a joy rather than a task.

Lodges in Wisconsin 274; members 29,243, a gain of 1,161.

Bernard F. Keeler, La Crosse, Grand Master.

William W. Perry, Milwaukee, Grand Secretary

WYOMING.

The fortieth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming was opened at Thermopolis September 9th, 1914. Fred. C. Barnett Grand Master. Lodges represented 29; unrepresented 5. Nine Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master said that the past year had been one of material prosperity to the craft generally, and it was gratifying to note the steady advancement in the application of the principles of the fraternity to the problems of everyday life.

He had made a number of rulings, only one of which is of interest outside of Wyoming. The case was that of a brother who had killed a man, was tried and adjudged to be insane. His dues were in arrear, and the Grand Master, when asked what action the lodge ought to take in the matter, thought the insane brother ought to be suspended for non-payment.

Bro. Barnett had intended to visit all the lodges in the jurisdiction, but had been able to visit only thirteen of them. His visits had convinced him that "the tree of Masonry in Wyoming

had been planted in good soil, and that it was bearing fruit abundantly." In Wyoming a good deal of irrigation is necessary.

During the year there had been four special communications of the Grand Lodge, one for the consecration of a lodge and three for the laying of corner stones.

A proposal having been made that the Grand Lodge ought to seek incorporation under the laws of the state, Bro. Barnett said: "there might be great disadvantage in effecting incorporation, as among other things it would subject the lodge to civil service by the courts."

At the former annual communication a committee was appointed to enquire into the desirability of establishing a Masonic home. That committee reported against the scheme, mainly on account of the smallness of the order in Wyoming; and, in pursuance of that report, Grand Lodge decided—

That it is the sense of this Grand Lodge that the best and most satisfactory method of dispensing Masonic charity is through the medium of the subordinate lodges, with such assistance as may be needed from the Grand Lodge; and that it is inexpedient and unwise for this Grand Lodge to establish a Masonic home at this time. That the fund known as the Masonic home fund be hereafter maintained and used for charitable and relief purposes, as may be provided by the constitution and by-laws.

R. W. Bro. W. L. Kuykendall, the Grand Secretary, presented an interesting and readable report on Correspondence. Bro. Kuykendall copied the letter of the Grand Secretary of England respecting the initiation of the Duke of Connaught and of Prince Arthur of Connaught; and he added: .

Now let us have proof that the Grand Master, the Pro Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Mother Grand Lodge of England are all prevaricators, or let us hear nothing more of any power to make a Mason at sight, or any attempt hereafter to exercise that power.

Well, let it go at that. A zealous brother "slopped over" and in his haste said things which the facts did not warrant. But the stream of Masonry flows on just the same.

Lodges in Wyoming 34; members 3,190, a gain for the year of 154.

J. J. Jewett, Riverton, Grand Master.

W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, Grand Secretary.

CONCLUSION.

All the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges have been reviewed except those of New Jersey and West Virginia, which had not reached the committee at the time of closing the report.

Special thanks are due to M. W. Bro. Ehlers of New York, and to R. W. Bro. Whyte, of Quebec, for advance copies of proceedings of their respective jurisdictions for 1915.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. T. FREED, Chairman.

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